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**SKNCIC Condemns Recent Spate of Robberies**

**Basseterre, St Kitts, August 15, 2023** – The St. Kitts and Nevis Chamber of Industry and Commerce (SKNCIC) is alarmed by the spate of robberies that took place over the last week, culminating with those at the Rams Supermarkets at Camps and at Bird Rock on Saturday, August 12. The SKNCIC strongly condemns such criminal actions and encourages community cooperation to assist in bringing the perpetrators to justice.

The SKNCIC recognizes the importance of maintaining a safe and secure environment for businesses to operate effectively, contribute to the local economy, and provide essential goods and services to the community.

Representatives of the SKNCIC met with and with Police High Command on Monday, August 14<sup>th</sup> to discuss initiatives by both parties to strengthen the efforts to prevent such crimes. Both parties have pledged to form a closer working relationship to look at and ways to mitigate the spread and impact of crime in our communities.

The SKNCIC calls upon the general public to come forward with any information that may aid law enforcement in their efforts to apprehend those responsible for these acts. Individuals who may have witnessed suspicious activities or who have any information regarding the recent robberies can share this with the Police anonymously through the Crime Stoppers Hotline at 707 to ensure their safety and security. Persons can also call the Basseterre Police Station at 465-2241. Cooperation from the community is crucial in ensuring that these criminals are swiftly brought to justice and reducing the incidence of such criminal activity.

The SKNCIC believes that swift action and the full cooperation of the public will help to maintain the peace and prosperity of St. Kitts and Nevis. By working together as a united community, we can ensure that our businesses and citizens are protected from criminal activities.

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