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Dear Complaints Commissioner Braithwaite,

It is with deep sadness that I send heartfelt condolences on the passing of our dear friend and colleague Mr. Elton Georges, elder statesman and lifetime member of the Caribbean Ombudsman Association (CAROA).

Secretary/Treasurer

Mr. Raymond Mathilda
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Condolences are extended on behalf of colleagues of CAROA of which Mr. Georges was a respected, active and much loved member. We extend condolences also on behalf of the International Ombudsman Institute and our Latin America & Caribbean Regional President Dr. Nilda Arduin.

Council Members

Mrs. Sheila Brathwaite
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Upon my appointment in March 2014 Mr. Georges was the first colleague to contact me. He called and offered his congratulations and support. We communicated often and I met him for the first time the following year at the 8th Biennial CAROA Conference in Curaçao at which he provided guidance with authority and good humour.

Ms. Arlene Harrison Henry
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In June 2017 he participated in the 9th Biennial CAROA Conference in Bonaire with characteristic wisdom, vision and wit as an individual member. He was inducted as an Honourary Life Member for his contributions and service to CAROA.

Dr. Marion Blair
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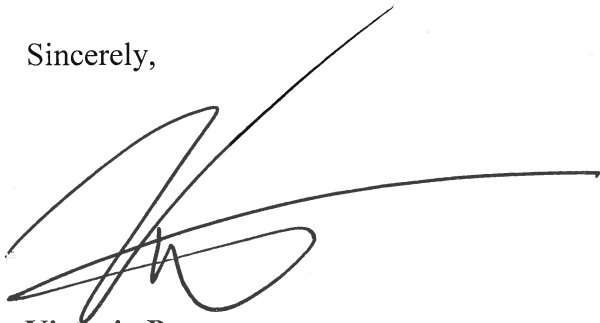
After Hurricane Irma he sent email messages to colleagues whenever he was able, updating everyone on the situation. Even amidst the devastation and hard times he remained a pillar of strength and encouragement.

He was always ready to share his extensive knowledge and experience with his colleagues and kept us apprised of developments and new

appointments in the region. It is difficult to image not being able to call upon his wise counsel. He will be sorely missed.

I have been asked by colleagues to be sure to extend our sympathy to Mr. Georges' wife Rita, his immediate and extended family, his friends, colleagues in the Complaints Commissioner's Office and the people of the British Virgin Islands on their great loss.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'Victoria Pearman', written over a horizontal line.

Victoria Pearman
Bermuda Ombudsman
CAROA President