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# Governor Issues Proclamation to Prorogue Parliament for 2023-2024 Session

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Her Excellency the Governor, Mrs. Jane Owen, issued Proclamation No. 1 of 2024 to formally prorogue the Parliament, effectively closing the 2023-2024 Session as of 18th September 2024.

Published in the Extraordinary Gazette No. 68 of 2024, the proclamation marks a suspension of the business of the House. However, Members of Parliament (MPs) continue to hold their electoral seats, Parliamentary committees continue to meet, and Cabinet continues to function regardless of the end of the Parliamentary Session.

"This past year has been a typically unique Session," said the **Speaker, Hon. Sir Alden McLaughlin.** "We saw quite a number of changes in Government leadership and its portfolios, and conducted important democratic business such as dealing with Bills, Motions, and Annual Reports; we also importantly scrutinized and debated the Government's budget, spending and policies."

**Hon. Sir Alden McLaughlin shared**: "Personally it has been a truly rewarding Session: I was honoured to become the ninth Speaker of our esteemed Parliament in November, and was privileged to host the official visit of Sir Lindsay Hoyle, Speaker of the House of Commons here at the Parliament. I thank all of our Members for their tireless work this past Session and for continuing to uphold the value, decorum, and importance of our respected Parliament."

Once the Governor, Premier, and the Speaker consult on a date for the new session, the Governor will issue another proclamation to formally begin the 2024-2025 Session.

A subsequent media advisory will be issued following that proclamation and once the Members of Parliament have been notified of the date for the First Meeting of the 2024-2025 Session. Once the date has been set for the First Meeting of the 2024-2025 Session, members of the public can find details of that meeting by visiting the Parliament's website, parliament.ky.

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**Notes:** The Proclamation can be found on the Gazette site: https://www.gov.ky/publication-detail/proclamation-no.-1-of-2024.-(ex68,-s1)

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