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Statement of the Integrity Commission on the Norman Brown Claim for Judicial Review

1. On January 14, 2025, the Supreme Court granted Norman Brown permission to apply for judicial review against the decision of the Integrity Commission's Director of Investigation in the "Investigation Report into the Statutory Declarations Submitted by the Most Honourable Mr Andrew Holness, Prime Minister for the years 2019-2022 ..," dated August 30, 2024 ("the Investigation Report"), in relation to referrals to the Commissioner General, Tax Administration Jamaica, and the Financial Investigation Division.
2. This was granted after the Commission had successfully opposed Mr Brown's application for permission to bring a judicial review claim against expressions in the Investigation Report of conflict-of-interest concerns in respect of his personal/business relationship with the Hon. Prime Minister. The Commission had also successfully opposed that part of Mr Brown's application for various declarations and a mandatory injunction to compel the Commission to amend the Investigation Report to remove all adverse findings made in relation to him.
3. Under the rules of court, Mr Brown had fourteen days within which to file a claim for judicial review in accordance with the permission given to him by the court. The period for him to do so expired on January 29, 2025. Mr Brown did not file a claim. In fact, on that date, Mr Brown's attorneys formally indicated to the Supreme Court that he does not intend to pursue the claim.
4. While the Commission believes it would have been ultimately successful if Mr Brown had brought a claim against it, it welcomes his decision which will avoid the Commission incurring costs and expending resources to defend the claim.

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