

**PRESS STATEMENT**  
**RE: MINISTER SINCKLER'S PRESS CONFERENCE**  
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This was a waste of the journalists' time. Once again Minister Sinckler created an aura as if he had something to say, only to come to rattle off generalities.

People in Barbados are still no wiser than they were before.

They do not know the Budget Date; they do not know where the expenditure cuts will come from and they still do not know when the Projects referred to repeatedly will start.

What they do know is that there will be more taxes and more job losses, putting more pressure on an already beleaguered social security system.

This situation is now becoming untenable. Nothing will happen until confidence is restored.

Clearly the time has come for the PM to recognize that speaking to the country is no longer an option. The country is hurting and it needs to hear from its democratically elected leader. Minister Sinckler and the Governor of the Central Bank have lost their credibility on these issues.

Tomorrow the Opposition will hold a Press Briefing when our Economic Advisor Dr. Clyde Mascoll will address the underlying actual figures of the Central Bank and the generic assertions made by the Minister.

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