Virgin Islands 5th Constitutional Convention Briefing Paper

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S.J. Res. 33 was passed in June of 2010: Congress passed a joint resolution that provided for the reconsideration and revision of the proposed constitution of the United States Virgin Islands to correct provisions inconsistent with the Constitution and Federal law. Congress directed OIA to provide financial support for the Convention to reconvene under the provisions of the joint resolution.

VI 5th Constitutional Convention Submits TA Request: 5th Constitutional Convention President Gerard James II submitted a TA request to fund the reconvening of the Convention to undertake the request to reconsider components of the proposed VI Constitution that the Congressional joint resolution outlined. The Convention submitted a budget request in the amount of \$460,890 to support the expenses associated with the Convention reconvening for 4 days to undertake the business of the Congressional joint resolution.

Moving forward: OIA will consider the Conventions request for TA funding and work with GVI to ensure that the Convention has the requisite support to receive, disperse, and account for any funding that OIA might make available.

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