



The American Chamber of Commerce in Haiti

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## MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT OF AMCHAM HAITI: JEAN-PHILIPPE BOISSON



Dear AmCham Haiti members,

It is an honor for me to have had the opportunity to serve as President of AmCham Haiti during 2021 and 2022, after having spent the two previous years as treasurer of the board. It has been an extraordinary experience for which I will always be grateful. The time has come to pass the torch to another AmCham member who will lead the chamber through the next phase of its history.

Before doing so, allow me to share a few words relative to the past two years, which have been challenging in ways none of us could have anticipated.

Just two months into our mandate, the assassination of President Jovenel Moïse in July 2021 marked history for the people of Haiti and around the world. This event was a testimony of the level of decay that our society has reached, and unfortunately marked the start of further turmoil to come.

Haiti continued to struggle with Governance issues, as both legislative and judicial entities could not be replaced via the normal processes. We have seen our institutions crumble one after the other while witnessing an unprecedented rise in violence and insecurity, resulting today in a situation where the capital of Port-au-Prince is completely surrounded by heavily armed gangs, and where the rule of law seems a distant memory. We have seen these gangs continue to paralyze the country's already poor economic capabilities by systematically organizing the now famous "peyi lok" through blockage of the fuel terminals, helping only to maintain the cycle of poverty and destruction.

In this extremely difficult context, AmCham tried to still remain active, understanding we were limited in the types of activities we could hold due mostly to security concerns. We brought value to our members and to the community by organizing a variety of events, including a number of blood drives to collect blood for Haiti's weakened medical entities, and two Covid vaccination drives to allow those wishing to receive the Covid vaccine to do so. We also organized with BRH a seminar on the topic of financial conformity, to raise awareness among members as to the implications of being on the GAFIC gray list. We also organized an information sharing event in collaboration with the US Consulate to provide members an overview of the challenges faced non-immigrant visa processing.



AmCham also took the opportunity to strengthen the chamber internally by making significant improvements to our accounting structure, as our treasurer will discuss in more detail.

Another key accomplishment of this year has been to actively participate in the strengthening of the private sector through the further development of a close partnership with other associations, namely, Association des Industries d'Haiti (ADIH), Association Touristique d'Haiti (ATH), Chambre de Commerce et d'Industries Haitiano Canadienne (CCIHC) and Chambre de Commerce et Industries de l'Ouest (CCIO). Systematically focusing on joining forces with these entities allowed the formal private sector to have a united view on a number of topics and crises faced in 2021 and 2022, and to take joint public positions.

In the same spirit of strengthening our association, AmCham has taken concrete action to revive its relationship with our sister company evolving in South Florida, the Haitian Chamber of Commerce of Florida (HACCOF). These actions will help create opportunities for more business exchanges with the Diaspora, which we see as an integral and important part of Haiti's future development.

As we look back over this tumultuous two-year period, we are reminded that these accomplishments are the result of teamwork. I want to thank the Board of Directors for their support and their commitment, and for always graciously giving their time, often on weekends, to allow AmCham to be successful. I want to extend special thanks to Erika Rosenthal, who has given so much of herself to raise the chamber to new heights, even after going through her own life-changing challenge in 2022. I also want to extend special thanks to Tarah Bourjolly, for doing such an outstanding job holding the fort during this difficult year.

I wish to express my appreciation to the electoral committee led by Me Jean-Baptiste Brown, Mrs. Guilaine Victor and Mr. Tony Moïse, and to Mrs. Mireille Mérové-Pierre for her dedication to the association.



Last but not least, I want to thank the Charge d'Affaires of the United States in Haiti, Eric Stromayor, and his administration for their unconditional support.

The road ahead is still full of challenges as Haiti, more than ever, needs to rebuild the basis of Democracy and the rule of law. AmCham will need to remain engaged and focused on helping shape the Haiti we all dream of.

On behalf of the outgoing Board of Directors of AmCham, we thank you, dear members, for allowing us the opportunity to serve you these past two years.



Jean-Philippe Boisson  
President  
AmCham Haiti

## MESSAGE FROM AMCHAM HAITI TREASURER: DEBORAH STARK



Dear Valued Members,

How time flies and already two years since I took office as Treasurer of AmCham Haiti. It is with a grateful heart and with a sentiment of accomplishment that I close my tenure.

One of my first goal was to understand how the accounting of the Chamber was managed and I was able to identify opportunities for improvement relative to the systems used. Chamber was definitely not risk averse and having a banking background, I reviewed and implemented changes that would help us minimize our risks while streamlining our operations.

First decision was to move to electronic banking and manage our accounts and payments via the electronic platform of our bank. This would reduce the back and forth for signature of checks and instead allowing the admin unit to effect both suppliers and internal payment via the banking tools.

Second decision was to advise

- a) our suppliers that we would pay them via electronic bank payment (SPIH).
- b) our members that going forward we preferred receiving membership payments directly onto the accounts of the Chamber;

Thirdly, we assessed with our auditors, the possibility of using an accounting software to register our transactions, ensuring it would not interfere with their work. We consulted with Papyrus, to help us choose the best version of the accounting software and also help us mirror the current activities onto the tool. Papyrus not only provided the guidance but also the training needed for the users. Following the consultation, we agreed to move to QuickBooks but that meant that we needed to upgrade our equipment. Hence, we bought new computers, printers allowing the upgrade and in doing so we contacted two members from our roster to obtain quotes. Lastly, another member helped us to interconnect the network of computers, printers and cameras.



Alongside the transformation project, we also needed to manage our day-to-day activities. As you know 2021 to 2023 came with events that none of us thought we would ever see, including the assassination of President Moïse in his home (July 2021), the fuel lockdown from September to November of 2022 to the caducity of the 47th legislature on January 16th, 2023. Doing business in this context became almost impossible and the resiliency of our members was shaken to its roots. We also had to become agile in the face of adversity and with the reduction of activities we could not raise funds, organize activities, but instead we concentrated on managing our resources while protecting our staff and ensuring their own resiliency.

Our membership roster in December 2021 began at one hundred sixteen (116) members, of which we lost about 8%. Nonetheless we welcomed six new members during 2022 and ended with one hundred and thirteen (113) members.

Thanks to our strong membership and to careful management of expenses, we are pleased to announce closing full year 2022 with a net surplus of \$31,186.00 while increasing Member's equity to \$574,309.00.

All of these achievements would not have been possible without the tireless work and engagement of our Administrator Tarah Bourjolly. She was pivotal in ensuring completion of our Finance project.

To you our members, thank you for your trust, your Chamber is now ready to support future growth. It was a pleasure serving you!

*Déborah P. Stark*

Déborah P. Stark

Treasurer





## MESSAGE FROM AMCHAM HAITI EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR: ERIKA ROSENTHAL



Dear Members,

We all recognize that our country needs the collective efforts of its citizens to overcome the many challenges that it currently faces. AmCham Haiti is committed to playing its part in contributing to the social and economic development of our nation.

We acknowledge that we are going through a difficult period in our history, but we must use it as a motivation to persevere in our work. Despite the challenges, we have been actively engaged in restructuring our accounting system and convening our members to discuss topics that significantly impact all sectors of our society. We have also participated in various meetings with stakeholders who can contribute to the advancement of our country and have issued several press releases to support initiatives, express sympathy, or condemn certain acts.

We have collaborated with other chambers of commerce and employer associations to promote collective action that focuses on the public interest and strengthens our advocacy for the needs of the business sector.

In recent months, AmCham Haiti has also reached out to the diaspora to better serve the needs of the local business community in search of innovative strategies and new approaches. We were excited to organize a successful meet and greet on a collaborative project with the Haitian-American Chamber of Commerce of Florida (HACCOF) to build a real bridge with the diaspora to inject new life into the Haitian economy.

We recognize that the challenges we face are significant, but we remain confident that with collective effort, we will overcome them. We wish to express our gratitude to each of our members, sponsors, and partners who have contributed to the success of the projects we have undertaken in recent months. We also extend a special thank you to each member of the outgoing board for their availability, leadership, and dedication to the Chamber.



I would like to personally thank Jean-Philippe Boisson, Deborah Stark, and Rudy Gonzales for their guidance, support, and trust in me throughout the journey. It has been an honor to serve alongside them and learn from their experiences.

AmCham Haiti reaffirms its commitment to stand by its members and support them whenever needed. Together, we can overcome the challenges and build a stronger and more prosperous Haiti.

Sincerely,

Erika Rosenthal  
Executive Director



## MESSAGE FROM US CHARGÉ D’AFFAIRES AD INTERIM TO HAITI: ERIC W. STROMAYER



Dear AmCham Members:

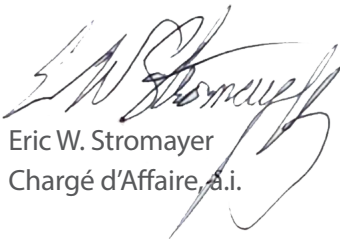
I am grateful for this opportunity to acknowledge the strong partnership between the U.S. Embassy in Port au Prince and AmCham Haiti. We continue to work together to promote shared prosperity in our region by boosting trade, commerce and investment that benefits both the United States and Haiti.

Throughout difficult security, health and commercial environments over the past year in Haiti the Embassy has remained in close contact with AmCham to address these challenges. We have held meetings with AmCham and the U.S. Assistant Secretary for the Western Hemisphere, as well as the National Security Council Director for the Caribbean to discuss current and future collaboration in support of the business community in Haiti. Together, we have advocated for fiscal transparency, stronger commerce partnerships between the U.S. and Haiti and strengthening efforts to combat corruption.

I have advocated for these important needs in my meetings with Prime Minister Henry, Minister of Economy and Finance Boisvert, Commerce Minister Ricardin Saint-Jean and the Director General of Customs Edouard. The United States is committed to good governance, fiscal transparency, the rule of law, and combatting corruption in Haiti. To this end, the U.S. has imposed visa restrictions on 44 individuals, including Haitian officials, involved in the operation of street gangs and criminal organizations and for their involvement in significant corruption.

Bilateral economic ties between the United States and Haiti are strong, and we look forward to building upon this foundation to further strengthen our trade, investment, private-sector engagement and commercial relationships. We value the crucial role AmCham plays in developing and growing Haiti’s business sector, as well as advocating for good governance and fiscal transparency in Haiti. I look forward to productive conversations and collaboration with AmCham in the year ahead.

Best Regards,



Eric W. Stromayer  
Chargé d’Affaire, a.i.



# AMCHAM HAITI, YOUR CONNECTION TO THE AMERICAS

## MISSION

AmCham Haiti's mission is to promote trade and investment between the United States and Haiti through free trade, free Markets, and free enterprise.

## OBJECTIVE

Our objective is to focus on four main points: Rule of Law, Arbitration, Trade Facilitation and Intellectual Property Rights. We also have a strong interest in promoting Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) with our members and with the private sector at large. AmCham Haiti serves as a reliable source of information on regional trade and investments issues, a critical point of communication between the AmCham's in the region, members of the U.S. Chamber of Commerce, and the U.S. government. AmCham Haiti is a channel for companies based in the U.S. to invest in Haiti, find partners and opportunities. We act as a coordinator of face-to-face interaction between business and government leaders in the country.

## BECOME A MEMBER OF AMCHAM HAITI

Join the most prestigious group in Haiti and a vibrant networking platform.

## ADVANCING BUSINESS IN HAITI

For over 40 years, the American Chamber of Commerce in Haiti has been an influential voice of U.S. business in Haiti. Today, joined together with the other AmCham's in Latin America under the umbrella of the Association of American Chambers of Commerce in Latin America and the Caribbean (AACCLA) these 23 AmChams represent more than 20,000 companies and over 80% of U.S. investment in Latin America. Working in partnership with the U.S. Chamber of Commerce (the world's largest business federation) and AACCLA, AmCham Haiti is the premier advocate for U.S. business in Haiti.

## YOUR ADVANTAGES

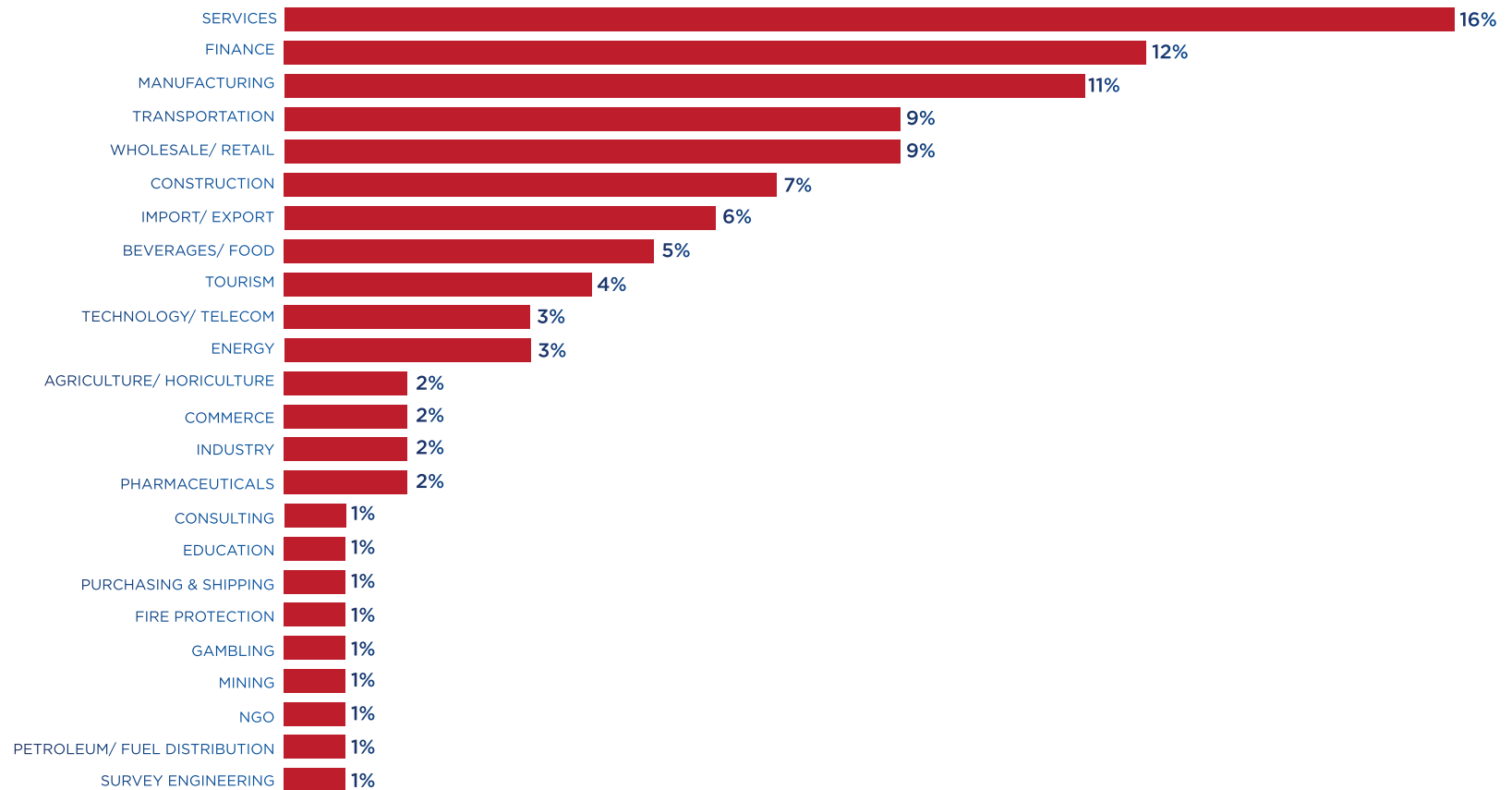
- Be part of a global network of AmChams;
- Share innovative, ethical, and community-minded business practices;
- Get preferred access to AmCham Haiti's conferences, seminars, social gathering and events;
- Increase your business exposure by being featured in the Annual Members Directory.

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# AMCHAM HAITI, STATISTICS 2021

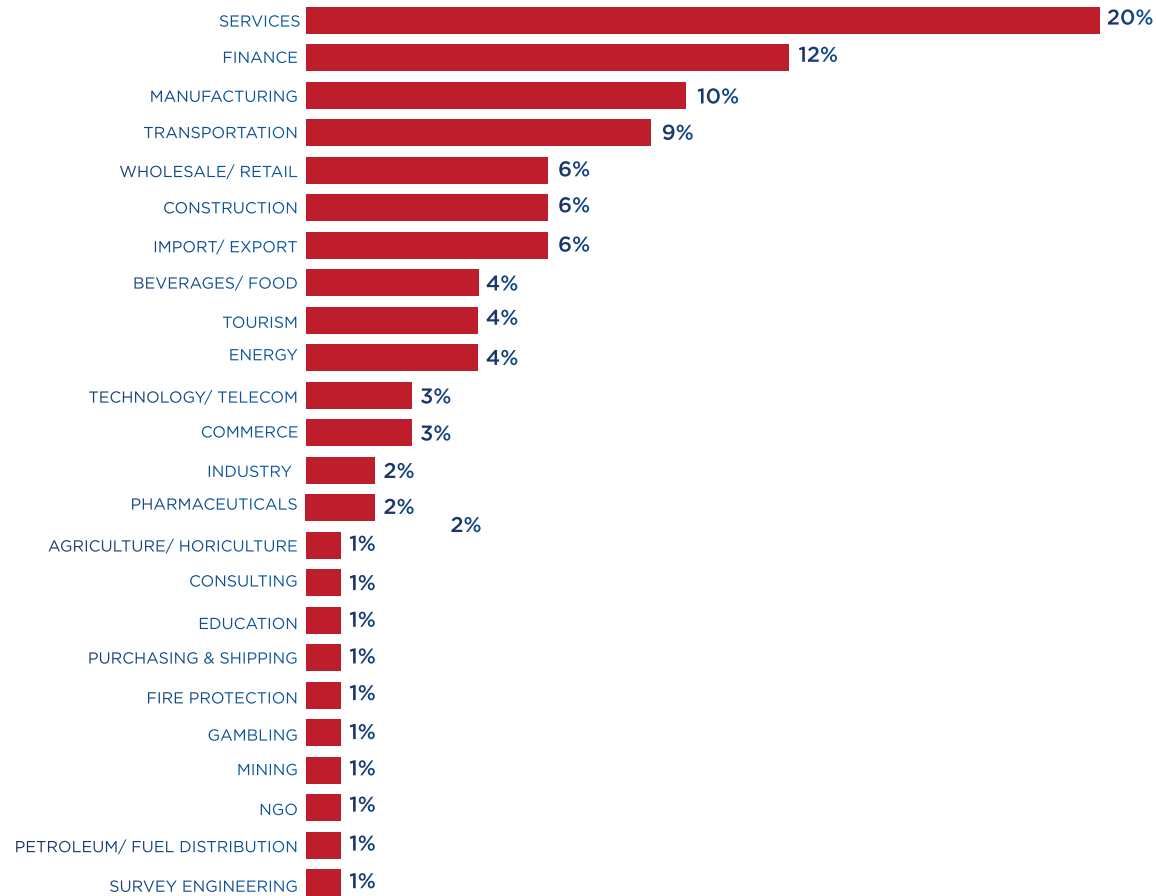
## MEMBERS BY CATEGORY





# AMCHAM HAITI, STATISTICS 2022

## MEMBERS BY CATEGORY



## THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF 2021-2022



President: Mr Jean-Philippe Boisson (Comme il Faut)

First Vice-President: Mr Bryan Gonzales (Digicel)

Second Vice-Président: Mr. Manuel de Heusch-Desquiron (Euroceram Plus)

Treasurer: Mrs Déborah Stark (Citibank)

Secretary: Mr Rudolph Gonzales (Marimex)

Member: Mr Michael Lemke (Enmarcolda)

Member: Mr Laurent Saint-Cyr (Alternative Insurance Company)



## COMMISSIONS AND ASSOCIATIONS WHERE AMCHAM HAITI HAS A SEAT.

### CTMO HOPE

The CTMO Hope Commission aims to support growth of new assembly and production in the textile sector. The Commission revised the minimum wage legislation in October 2013, which was signed by all members of the Commission and the Minister of Social Affairs.

### CADRE INTÉGRÉ RENFORCÉ (CIR) – COMCIR

The COMCIR Commission was created in March 2013 by the ministry of Commerce to tighten relationship between the public and the private sector, to install commerce as the backbone of Government policy, to support economic growth and development, and to facilitate trade and investments.

### CONSEIL SUPERIEUR DES SALAIRES (CSS)

Conseil Supérieur des Salaires (CSS) was established in August 2013 to support social security system of workers in Haiti. The commission is composed of representatives from the public and private sectors.



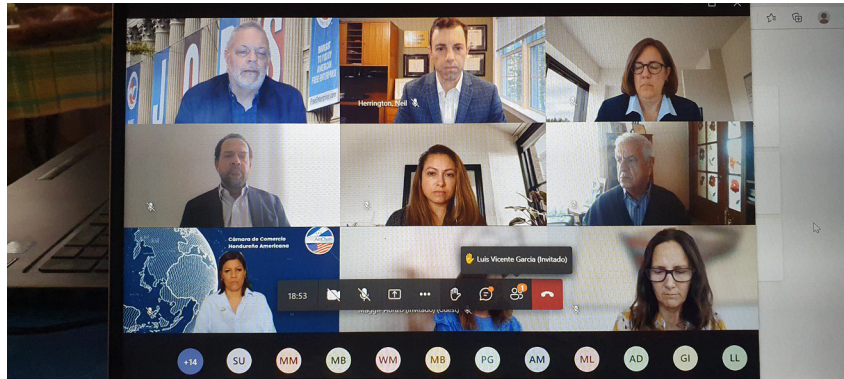




# AMCHAM HAITI EVENTS 2021-2023

The sense of insecurity that had gradually diminished towards the end of 2020 has resurfaced with renewed intensity, making it unbearable for the people of Haiti in 2021. Recent developments in the country have been marked by a severe fuel crisis and the proliferation of gangs that have taken over Port-au-Prince, causing widespread chaos, including the kidnapping and assassination of innocent civilians. In the fall of 2022, the country was plunged into yet another extended period of unrest, known as “Peyi lòk,” lasting more than six weeks.

Regrettably, this entire situation has hindered the Chamber’s ability to conduct its usual activities in Haiti over the past two years. Nonetheless, determined to play an active role in the country’s social, economic, and political life, the Chamber has endeavored to convene its members whenever feasible to exchange ideas on critical topics concerning Haitian society. The Chamber has also increased its engagements with decision-makers and influential individuals who can contribute to the country’s advancement. Furthermore, the Chamber has issued several press releases to lend support to certain initiatives, express condolences on certain occasions, or condemn certain acts of violence.



## AACCLA VIRTUAL GENERAL ASSEMBLY | JULY 27, 2021

Mr. Michael Lemke, who sits on the AACCLA Board as AmCham Haiti representative, took part in the AACCLA Virtual General Assembly held on July 27th 2021. Highlights of the news from several countries in the region such as Venezuela, Honduras, and Haiti were discussed, bringing to light the various issues, such as insecurity, that we have in common.

## COVID 19 VACCINATION DAY | OCTOBER 2 & 30, 2021

AmCham Haiti, in partnership with business associations CCIO, ATH and ADIH, organized a vaccination campaign in collaboration with the Centre Gheskio. Many members of AmCham Haiti and other business associations, their relatives and family members participated. The first dose of the Moderna vaccine was administered to 368 people on Saturday, October 2, 2021, and the follow up on the second dose was done on October 30, 2021 to anyone wishing to receive it.

## BLOOD DRIVE AT KARIBE - AUGUST 21, 2021

In response to the earthquake that struck the departments of the South, Grand'Anse and Nippes on August 14, 2021, Amcham Haiti organized a blood drive on Saturday, August 21. The public responded positively to the invitation and 99 pouches of blood were collected during the day.





## CHRISTMAS COCKTAIL | DECEMBER 15, 2021

AmCham organized an end of the year Christmas Cocktail on December 15, 2021 at Asu (Karibe Hotel) despite the difficult context, in an effort to create a space for members to interact, share a special moment, and toast to better days.



## COMPLIANCE LUNCH DEBATE - FEBRUARY 9, 2022

On Wednesday, February 9, 2022, at the Ritz Kinam II, Jean-Baden Dubois, Governor of the Bank of the Republic of Haiti, Maxime D. Charles, consultant in the fight against money laundering, and Me Michèle Delorme, Director of Legal Affairs of BRH, took part in a debate organized by AmCham Haiti on the theme: “Compliance not only the business of banks, but everyone’s”. The conversation was moderated by Mrs Déborah Stark, Treasurer of the Board of Directors of AmCham.





## COMMERCIAL MISSION ORGANIZED BY CARIBBEAN EXPORT TO PROMOTE COLLABORATION BETWEEN HAITI-DOMINICAN REPUBLIC PRIVATE SECTOR | MARCH 6-8, 2022

Mrs. Erika Rosenthal, Executive Director of AmCham Haiti participated in a meeting hosted by Caribbean Export Development Agency (CEDA) in the Dominican Republic from March 6th to 8th 2023. The purpose of the meeting was to discuss and enhance the commercial relations between Haiti and the Dominican Republic, with a focus on fostering better economic collaboration between the two countries. Representatives from Fedocamaras, CCIH and CEDA were present at the event.



## CHECK PRESENTATION TO PRODEV | MARCH 28, 2022

Amcham presented a generous donation of 3000 USD to the Progress and Development Foundation through the Youth of Haiti (PRODEV). This contribution was made with the aim of supporting PRODEV's extraordinary efforts in providing high-quality, safe, and transformative education to disadvantaged children in Haiti.

PRODEV has been operating in Haiti for over 25 years as a nonprofit organization dedicated to its mission of providing education to children in need. Through its programs, the institution has helped to improve the lives of countless Haitian children, particularly those living in marginalized communities. PRODEV's dedication to its cause is a testament to the power of education in transforming lives and communities.



## CHECK PRESENTATION TO LE BON SAMARITAIN DE VARREUX | MARCH 30, 2022

The Association of Residents of the Varreux Industrial Zone (ARVIZ), a recognized public utility since 2004, was established with the purpose of providing support to underprivileged children residing in the neighborhoods of Simon Pelé and the surrounding areas. One significant initiative undertaken by ARVIZ is the Le Bon Samaritain Mixed Institute in Varreux. This institution is dedicated to offering a comprehensive education to the most vulnerable children in the local community.

On March 30, 2021, Mr. Manuel Heush Desquiron, the 2nd Vice President of the Board of Directors of AmCham, presented a donation of 309,000 gourdes to the Le Bon Samaritain de Varreux Institution. This contribution aims to support the exceptional work they are doing within the community.





## MISSION ON BEST PRACTICES FOR BUSINESS SUPPORT ORGANIZATIONS SAN JOSE - LIMON, COSTA RICA | MAY 8-14 2022

The mission's main objective was to exchange knowledge on services geared towards agriculture. It was held in Costa Rica at Earth University. Different Haitian associations such as AmCham, CCIH, and CHAGHA participated in the series of presentations and field visits that took place from May 8 to 14, 2022. It was a week full of activities, including:

- A workshop on "How Chambers of Commerce can support and collaborate with farmers".
- Three field visits to university projects related to sustainable agricultural practices.
- Five presentations on topics related to agricultural development programs, agro-industries, and the agri-food sector.
- Visit to the "TUMIS" production plant in San Jose
- Visit to the National Chamber of Agriculture and Agro-industry
- Visit to the Costa Rican Exporters Chamber (CADEXO)
- Visit to PROCOMER (Promoter of Foreign Trade of Costa Rica)





## BREAKFAST WITH AMERICAN CONSULATE TEAM - JUNE 1, 2022

On Thursday, June 1, 2022, the Board of Directors, and many other members of the Chamber had the opportunity to meet Mr. John Whiteley, US Consul General, to discuss the delays encountered by its members in renewing their US visa in recent months. Mr. Whiteley informed the audience of the challenges faced by the US Consulate since the Covid 19 pandemic and the multiples crises the country is facing.

## JUNE 9TH AND 10TH, 2022

Different private sector personalities participated in a private-private dialogue held at the Karibe Hotel. The event was jointly promoted by AmCham Haiti, CCIH, ADIH, CFHCI, the Bureau of the National Ordering Officer of the European Development Fund (BONFED) with the support of the Caribbean Export Development Agency (Caribbean Export Development Agency) as part of the Binational Haiti-Dominican Republic Program, funded by the European Union.

The private-private dialogue aimed to build a common vision and strategy for the Haitian private sector to improve its competitiveness while fostering dialogue and collaboration with the Haitian government and the Dominican private sector.





## AACCLA ANNUAL MEETING | AUGUST 3, 2022

On August 3rd, 2022, the Annual AACCLA Meeting was held in Washington DC. On the occasion, our representative, Michael Lemke, was nominated for a second term as representative of AmCham Haiti to the AACCLA Board.

## HAITIAN PRIVATE SECTOR STATEMENT AUGUST 23RD, 2022

A historical statement was released by “Regroupement Patronal Haïtien” (RPH) on August 23rd 2022. AmCham Haiti, in collaboration with the Association of Industries of Haiti (ADIH), the West Chamber of Commerce and Industry (CCIO) and the Haitian Tourism Association (ATH), issued a joint statement of support for the patriotic call to action launched by the RPH to the business sector, the government, and the political actors



### NOTE DE PRESSE

Les associations patronales soussignées saluent haut et fort la Note de Presse courageuse du “Regroupement Patronal Haïtien” en date du 23 août 2022 qui, de manière succincte, pose le problème national à sa plus simple expression, en exprimant la nécessité d’un « dépassement de soi » de secteurs-clefs au profit du bien-être collectif de la société.

Nous appuyons cet appel patriotique aux femmes et hommes d’affaire, à assumer leurs responsabilités fiscales comme point de départ vers une société moderne et équitable ou l’État est en mesure de subvenir aux besoins et aspirations légitimes de la population.

Nous appuyons également cet appel patriotique aux gouvernants, appelés eux aussi à un dépassement de soi inédit, ceci au profit d’une gestion saine, efficace et transparente de l’État à l’écoute des besoins de Tous.

Nous appuyons enfin cet appel patriotique aux protagonistes politiques, leur demandant une prise de conscience et les encourageant eux aussi à adopter un comportement allant dans le sens de la majorité de nos compatriotes plutôt que ces interminables querelles stériles qui n’ont pas donné de résultats.

Les associations patronales soussignées s’engagent à supporter cette initiative citoyenne à travers leurs champs d’actions respectifs.

Les associations patronales soussignées félicitent les promoteurs de cette initiative, qui, nous espérons, saura réveiller la conscience de tout un chacun, et encourager des changements de comportement chez chaque Haïtienne, chaque Haïtien, vers le modèle du mieux-être collectif plutôt que celui du bien-être individuel, qui a clairement failli à date.

Patriotiquement.

Jean-Philippe Boisson  
Président AmCham Haïti

Wilhelm Lemke  
Président ADIH

Jean-Philippe Baussan  
Vice-Président CCIO

Lionel Pressoir  
Secrétaire ATH

## MEETING WITH ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF STATE BRIAN NICHOLS



On October 13th 2022 representatives from the American Chamber of Commerce in Haiti (Amcham Haiti) and the Association of Industries of Haiti (ADIH) took part in a video conference with US Assistant Secretary of State, Mr. Brian A. Nichols and Chargé d’Affaires Mr. Eric Stromayer and other US representatives. The meeting was intended to discuss the impact of the Haitian crisis on the local economy and identify perspectives to help improve the security climate in the country.

Speaking on their own behalf and on behalf of the Haitian Tourism Association (ATH), the Haitian-Canadian Chamber of Commerce and Industry (CCIHC) and the Chamber of Commerce and Industry of Haiti (CCIH), the two associations expressed their deep sorrow for the current situation in Haiti and enumerated some of the issues that the country is facing. They took the opportunity to express their support for

the government’s decision to seek humanitarian assistance from the international community in order to restore the country to a rule of law. They highlighted that Haiti’s future will depend, in the short term, on the ability to restore a secure space for citizens and goods to move freely. In the medium term, they referred to the need for concrete actions to restore democracy through a revision of the weaknesses of the Constitution and a free, credible and transparent electoral process.



## CONFERENCE ORGANIZED BY THE 2022 NAAHP – EMPOWERED TO THRIVE

From November 30th to December 2nd 2022, Executive Director Erika Rosenthal responded to a Haiti Invest invitation to AmCham Haiti and represented the chamber at a conference organized by the National Alliance for the Advancement of Haitian Professionals (NAAHP) at the University of Massachusetts under the theme: “Empowered to Thrive! Charting the Way to a New Height in the Haitian Diaspora”.

During this conference, several workshops were organized on the engagement of the diaspora and the means by which it could invest and participate in Haitian political life. Members of the diaspora traveled to take part in the discussions, as well as Haitians living in Haiti who openly explained the current situation of the country and the challenges they face every day.



## UNITING BUSINESSES FOR A NEW ERA OF HAITIAN PROSPERITY - FEBRUARY 21, 2023

AmCham Haiti, in partnership with HACCOF, FIU, and Island TV, organized a meet and greet event titled “Uniting Businesses for a New Era of Haitian Prosperity” on February 21, 2023, at the Patricia and Philippe Frost Art Museum. The event aimed to bring together Haitian business individuals, members of the South Florida community, and influential figures to explore potential collaborations and ideas for revitalizing the Haitian economy. Mrs. Erika Rosenthal, the Executive Director of AmCham Haiti, highlighted the significance of establishing a bridge between the private sectors in Haiti and Florida, with active involvement from the diaspora. Dr. Mark Rosenberg, President of FIU, reiterated the university’s commitment to unity and prosperity and emphasized its partnership with the Haitian community in both Haiti and Florida.

Mr. Jean-Philippe Boisson, President of AmCham Haiti, praising the contributions of the diaspora and acknowledging the efforts of the private sector. He called for collaboration and a shift in mindset, urging individuals to think and act courageously for the betterment of the country. Following the insightful presentations, participants engaged in networking activities, creating an inviting and friendly atmosphere that fostered meaningful connections between the Haitian business communities in Haiti and South Florida.





# FINANCIAL STATEMENT

## BALANCE SHEET DECEMBER 31, 2022, 2021 AND 2020 (EXPRESSED IN US DOLLARS)

<b>ASSETS</b>	<b>2022</b>	<b>2021</b>	<b>2020</b>
CASH AND TERM DEPOSITS	571,634	545,483	517,257
OTHER ASSETS - ART WORK	4,175	140	5,199
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b>575,809</b>	<b>545,623</b>	<b>522,456</b>
<b>LIABILITIES AND MEMBER'S EQUITY</b>			
DEFERRED DUES	1,500	2,500	2,746
MEMBERS' EQUITY	574,309	543,123	519,710
<b>LIABILITIES AND MEMBERS' EQUITY</b>	<b>575,809</b>	<b>545,623</b>	<b>522,456</b>

## STATEMENTS OF REVENUES AND EXPENSES YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2022, 2021 AND 2020 (EXPRESSED IN US DOLLARS)

<b>ASSETS</b>	<b>2022</b>	<b>2021</b>	<b>2020</b>
MEMBERSHIP DUES	167,135	158,822	156,912
SPONSORS AND EVENTS	16,197	16,705	15,280
OTHER INCOME	7,640	6,778	9,739
<b>TOTAL REVENUES</b>	<b>190,972</b>	<b>182,306</b>	<b>181,931</b>
<b>EXPENSES</b>			
PERSONNEL AND BENEFITS	99,146	86,112	85,056
OFFICE EXPENSES	56,281	60,484	49,599
AMCHAM EVENTS	3,950	10,978	3,662
DONATIONS AND CONTRIBUTIONS	8,090	-----	12,380
FOREIGN EXCHANGE GAIN	(7,680)	1,319	(1,182)
<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>	<b>159,786</b>	<b>158,893</b>	<b>149,515</b>
EXCESS (DEFICIT) FOR THE YEAR	31,186	23,412	32,416
MEMBERS' EQUITY, AT THE BEGINNING OF YEAR	543,123	519,711	487,294
MEMBERS' EQUITY, AT END OF YEAR	574,309	543,123	519,710

A background image showing a close-up of two hands shaking in a firm grip. One hand is dark-skinned and the other is light-skinned. The person on the left is wearing a dark suit jacket and a light-colored shirt. The person on the right is wearing a light-colored sleeve. The background is a bright, out-of-focus indoor setting.

## NEW AMCHAM MEMBERS IN 2021

KAYIMIT SALES AND SERVICES  
CABINET ABDEL-RAZAK  
CHATEAU TERNIER  
TOTAL LOGISTICS SOLUTIONS S.A  
CABINET DE LESPINASSE  
CARIBBEAN GRAIN COMPANY S.A  
FARMATRIX  
KONBIT PLASTIK  
CEDEL HAITI  
KNAVAL MARKET  
CARIBBEAN SUPERMARKET  
THREAD BAR  
BETTER FAMILY PRODUCTS  
FONDATION CASELI

## NEW AMCHAM MEMBERS IN 2022

BELGAZ S.A  
ANGE GARDIEN  
HAITI AIR AMBULANCE  
COLORAMA GRAPHIQUES  
PARENN HAITI  
ALL NETWORK



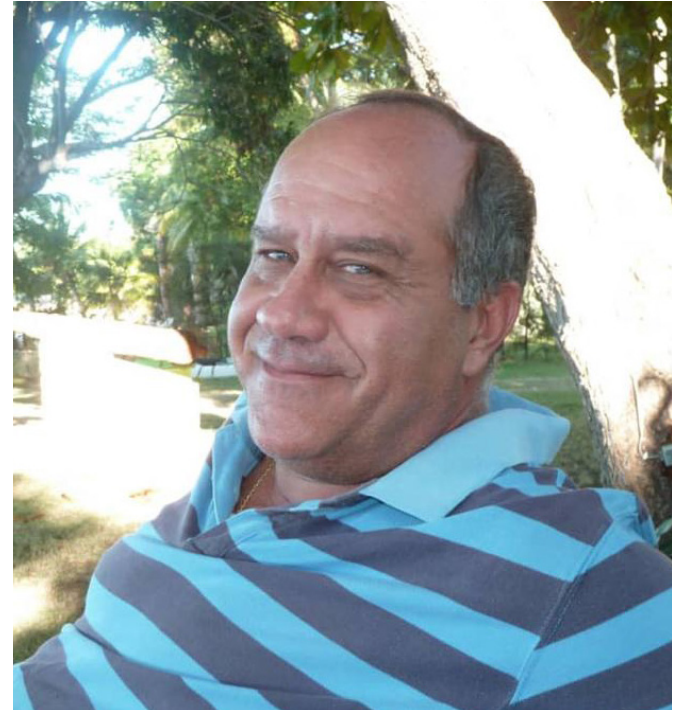
## SPECIAL ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS TO AN INSPIRATIONAL LEADER

The history of our beloved Haiti has been marked by tumultuous periods, and we can all attest to the fact that we are now living through one of the most challenging periods of our history. In these moments, leaders often emerge, to help maintain the focus on the truly important objectives, and to help encourage the necessary actions that precede the desired outcomes.

The board of directors of AmCham, would like to recognize and thank Mr. René Max Auguste, for his exemplary role as an AmCham member, as an AmCham ambassador, and as a true mentor to many of us on the board, and as Patriot! René Max's level of energy and passion for Haiti as a whole is simply remarkable. His convictions and his courage to take the necessary actions in order to influence a better tomorrow for Haiti are virtues that he can be proud of, and that we want to salute today!

Thank you for your contributions to AmCham! Thank you for your contributions to Haiti!

Well done René Max!





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