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



Dear AmCham Haiti members,

It is once again, an honor for me to have the privilege of sharing a few words, having served a second term as President of AmCham Haiti from 2023 to 2025. The last 6 years on the board of AmCham have taught me lessons of humility, community, and dedication, but have also shown the importance of teamwork, determination, and humanity. As I write these last farewell comments, I am filled with bittersweet emotions, torn between what might have been had the cards dealt to Haiti not been so harsh, and what this great team I have had the immense honor to work with managed to accomplish under extremely challenging conditions.

Haiti has indeed been dealt harsh cards, even if we limit our views to the past 2 years of this mandate. We have had three different Prime ministers, one 3-member HCT and the 9-member CPT lead Haiti's government, while the security conditions in the country have deteriorated to barely describable levels, as heavily armed gangs have savagely terrorized an entire population, murdering thousands of innocent civilians at will, traumatizing tens of thousands of our brothers and sisters who have been forced to flee their homes and abandon their life's work at a moment's notice, with nowhere to go and no one to look to. We have seen our hospitals, our schools, our libraries brutally burnt down leaving ashes and ruins as symbols of our current – but I dare say – temporary reality.

It is in this unfathomable context that AmCham evolved during the past two years, looking to somehow remain relevant, and quietly bring value to our society.

Early on, the members of this board of directors met to question our purpose and our objectives and agreed that we would not allow the politics of the country to dictate AmCham's actions. Instead, we would seek inspiration from the founding principles in the bylaws of this prestigious institution and seek to make a difference along these pillars. The board opted to focus on three main objectives, and to work diligently towards making these a reality:

1. Re-energize relations between AmCham and our US counterparts to improve offering to our members.
2. Establish an AmCham proposal for the Strategic Development of Haiti
3. Leave a meaningful heritage to our community

We are pleased to report that we were able to deliver tangible results relative to these three pillars during our mandate.

Indeed, we were able to significantly improve relationships with the US Embassy leading to much closer interaction with AmCham. Address Apollon and

Maulik Radia did an outstanding job maintaining close ties with our US counterparts, ensuring timely sharing of relevant information, opening doors for members in need, facilitating information sessions, and even improving consideration for AmCham members for important Business Travel arrangements.

Deborah, Tatiana and Erika worked diligently to bring meaning to the notion of leaving a heritage, and launched the AmCham women's network, which has proven to be a tremendous success, highlighting women's leadership and power within Haiti's society, and how this too can serve as a major development force for our country. The success of a few events organized within this theme showed the potential particularly for our younger generations of professionals who desperately crave inspiration and mentorship.

Jude, Keke, and I worked to put together a document which AmCham published and shared with key public and private stakeholders, locally and internationally, presenting a clear and concise vision for development focused on three main pillars - Tourism, Agriculture and Industry) offering a viable and executable pathway towards strategic development.

We are pleased to have managed to leave a positive mark during these past two years. I want to thank every member of the Board of Directors for their hard work, their commitment, their focus and sense of professionalism, and for always graciously giving their time to allow your chamber to deliver on our promise, despite the environment we dealt with. I also want to thank a few AmCham members who selflessly participated to help some of these realizations come to life – Christelle Valav, Gilbert Gonzales, Didier Hyppolite – and lastly, I want to thank the executive team in our AmCham office for their dedication – Tarah, Chantale, Jennifer, Germaine and Archange. Thank you!

We wish to express our appreciation to the electoral committee led by Me Jean-Baptiste Brown, Mrs. Guilaïne Victor, and Mr. Tony Moïse. We also wish to express our gratitude to Mrs. Mireille Mérové-Pierre for her continued dedication and support to the association.

Finally, our special thanks to the Ambassador of Haiti in the United States, Ambassador Lesly Delatour, and to the Ambassador of the United States in Haiti, Dennis Hankins, and their administrations for their tremendous support.

The time has come to pass the torch to another AmCham member who will lead the chamber through the next phase, building on the basis of what has been accomplished over more than 40 years of history. We wish the new team continued success and will remain available to support their efforts.

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



MESSAGE FROM AMCHAM HAITI TREASURER: JUDE JEAN BAPTISTE



Dear Valued Members,

As I conclude my tenure as Treasurer of AmCham Haiti from 2023 to 2025, I reflect with pride on our collective resilience amidst unprecedented challenges. The past two years have tested the Chamber's fortitude, yet we have emerged steadfast, maintaining stability and laying a foundation for future growth.

The period from 2023 to 2025 brought significant economic, security, and financial hurdles in Haiti. Incidents, such as the closure of the airport, forced our team to adapt swiftly, conducting much of our work remotely. Despite these constraints, I am pleased to report that all transactions were posted on time, a testament to the dedication and agility of our administrative team.

Our membership levels have remained stable, hovering close to the 113 members recorded in 2022. This retention reflects the trust and commitment of our members, even as the operating environment grew increasingly complex. Financially, we have maintained the stability of our balance sheet, carefully managing resources to ensure the Chamber's resilience. While specific figures for 2024 and 2025 are still under review, our prudent expense management and strategic focus have positioned us to weather the economic turbulence.

Building on the technological advancements of my predecessor, we continued to leverage electronic banking and QuickBooks to streamline operations and enhance transparency. These tools proved invaluable in enabling remote work and ensuring operational continuity during periods of disruption.

I extend my heartfelt gratitude to our Administrator, Tarah Bourjolly, whose unwavering commitment was instrumental in navigating these challenges until her departure. Special thanks go to our Executive Director, Erika Rosenthal, for her exceptional leadership in managing a seamless transition following Tarah's exit, ensuring the Chamber's operations remained uninterrupted.

To our members, thank you for your enduring support and trust in the Chamber. It has been an honor to serve you, and I am confident that AmCham Haiti is well-equipped to thrive in the years ahead.

Sincerely,
Jude Jean-Baptiste

MESSAGE FROM AMCHAM HAITI EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR: ERIKA ROSENTHAL



Dear AmCham Members,

It has been both an honor and a privilege to serve as the Executive Director of AmCham Haiti during the 2023–2025 mandate. Working alongside a dedicated Board of Directors and serving a resilient and forward-thinking membership has been a deeply meaningful experience.

These past two years have presented significant challenges for all Haitians and for the business community in particular. Political instability, rising insecurity, and a deteriorating economic environment have tested our resolve. Yet, amid these trials, the resilience of Haiti's private sector has continued to shine. We've shown, once again, that even in the most difficult moments, we emerge stronger, together.

My message is simple: let us continue to move forward in unity. Now more than ever, collaboration among members and solidarity across sectors are critical. Together, we can navigate these turbulent times and shape a future rooted in

From the beginning of this mandate, our Board, under the leadership of our President, remained focused despite external distractions. He reminded us that while the national situation could easily shift our attention, we had to stay the course. Our work centered around three core priorities:

Strengthening our relationship with the U.S. Embassy and U.S. agencies: We made great strides in reinforcing these ties, particularly through increased collaboration with Ambassador Hankins and the Economic Affairs Section.

Developing a strategic vision for AmCham Haiti: We completed a strategic roadmap, shared it with members, and engaged other chambers of commerce to create a unified private sector vision. This process is ongoing, with the goal of ultimately presenting a credible, collective proposal to national authorities and friends in the International Community.

Leaving a legacy of impact: One of our proudest accomplishments is the creation of the AmCham Women's Network, which I had the pleasure of co-founding alongside Deborah and Tatiana. This initiative reflects our commitment to inclusive leadership and long-term institutional strength.

I extend my heartfelt thanks to the entire Board of Directors for their trust, and special thanks to my staff Tarah, Chantale and Jennifer for their support throughout this journey.



Thank you, AmCham members, for your trust, your engagement, and your belief in the role we all play in shaping Haiti's economic future. It has truly been a pleasure to serve you.

With appreciation,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Erika Rosenthal', with a large, stylized flourish extending from the end.

Erika Rosenthal

MESSAGE FROM THE HAITIAN AMBASSADOR TO THE USA: LIONEL DELATOUR



Dear compatriots and members of AmCham Haiti,

I write to you today with a deep sense of responsibility, both as Haiti's Ambassador to the United States, and as someone who has worked for years within our country's private sector, alongside so many of you.

We are living through one of the most difficult periods in Haiti's modern history. The weight of the crisis is felt in every sector, every neighborhood, every business. Armed violence has torn through our cities. More than a million people have been displaced. Markets are shuttered, investments frozen, families scattered. And still, despite it all, our private sector endures.

From agriculture to energy, manufacturing to technology, banking to professional services, the members of AmCham Haiti continue to operate, innovate, and protect the threads that keep the economy from unraveling. Every day that a Haitian business opens its doors is an act of courage. Every salary paid, every delivery made, every job preserved is a quiet act of resistance, and a clear signal that we still believe in the future.

I've seen this resilience firsthand, as a partner, an advocate, and now as Ambassador. For years, through CLED, ADIH, and AmCham, I worked with conviction to contribute to public policy development and to build bridges between Haitian businesses and key institutions in Washington. That work continues today with even greater urgency.

Since arriving in Washington, I've met with members of Congress, senior officials at the State Department, key partners across the U.S. administration, and leading think tanks to advance Haiti's priorities: security, humanitarian response, democratic governance, diaspora and migration, trade, and economic revitalization. One of the most critical among these is the renewal and expansion of the HOPE/HELP legislation. These programs are not just trade tools. They are lifelines, giving thousands of young Haitians access to jobs, stability, and a reason to stay rooted in dignity and opportunity. They keep Haiti connected to regional value chains and, just as importantly, to a long-term vision of recovery.

But policy alone cannot rebuild a nation. Lasting change requires alignment between our public institutions, entrepreneurs, civil society, academia, and our international partners. That is where AmCham plays a vital role: as a platform for shared solutions and a voice for the Haitian private sector. But it is also more than that. It reflects a collective commitment, a belief that Haitian businesses remain pillars of transformation and resilience.



To every business in Haiti: thank you. Behind each company that continues to operate is a team, a community, a quiet determination to keep the country moving forward. Your work matters more than ever.

The Haitian government remains committed to supporting the private sector, encouraging investment, and working alongside partners such as AmCham to improve the business climate in a sustainable way.

I reaffirm my personal commitment to working with each of you to defend our shared interests. With clarity and determination, we must work together to lay the foundation for a national recovery. In this endeavor, the private sector is not merely an economic partner, it is an indispensable force in rebuilding the country.

With all my respect and consideration,

Lionel Delatour



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 this group of entrepreneurs in Haiti and a vibrant networking platform.

ADVANCING BUSINESS IN HAITI

For over 45 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 AmChams 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

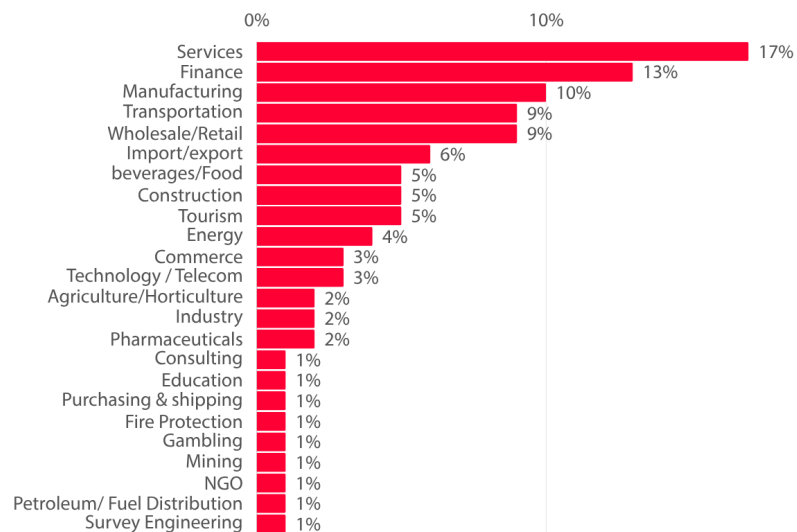
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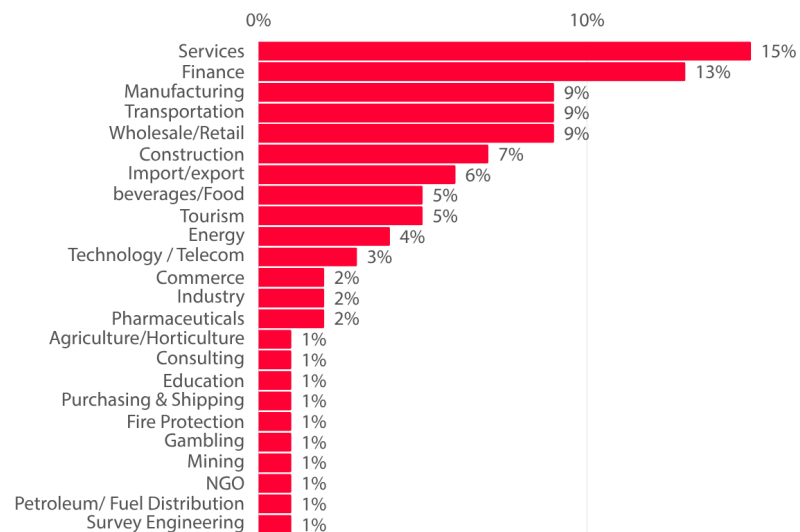


AMCHAM HAITI, STATISTICS

MEMBERS BY CATEGORY 2024



MEMBERS BY CATEGORY 2023



THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF 2023-2025



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

First Vice-President: Mr Clément Bélizaire (E-Power)

Second Vice-President: Mrs Déborah Stark (Citibank)

Treasurer: Mr Jude Jean-Baptiste (Paon Bleu)

Secretary: Mrs Tatiana B. Siméon (Cap Terminal)

Member: Ms Andress Appolon (GB Group)

Member: Mr Maulik Radia (Plastech)

AMCHAM HAITI EVENTS 2023-2025

Despite persistent insecurity and political uncertainty, AmCham Haiti remained active throughout 2023 and 2024, reinforcing its role as a key voice in Haiti's economic and institutional recovery.

The Chamber engaged in high-level meetings with government officials, international partners, and the private sector—advocating for reforms, promoting investment, and supporting dialogue on critical issues such as fiscal policy, security, and business formalization.

Key milestones included the launch of a strategic planning retreat, public-private sector meetings with the Prime Minister and ministers, advocacy on the HOPE/HELP legislation, and the expansion of the Women's Network. AmCham also hosted impactful webinars and participated in major international conferences, strengthening ties with regional and U.S. stakeholders.

In a challenging context, AmCham Haiti remained focused on its mission: connecting leaders, promoting stability, and supporting a more resilient economic future for Haiti.





LUNCHEON WITH THE CANADIAN AMBASSADOR | MAY 1, 2023

On May 1, 2023, AmCham Haiti President Jean-Philippe Boisson and Executive Director Erika Rosenthal were invited by the Haitian American Chamber of Commerce of Florida (HACCOF) to participate in a luncheon held in Miami. The event brought together distinguished guests, including Canadian Ambassador to Haiti, Sébastien Carrière, and local Miami officials. The primary objective of this gathering was to discuss the current political and security challenges facing Haiti.

Ambassador Carrière shared insights into Canada's strategic involvement in Haiti, emphasizing the recent sanctions imposed on certain political figures, gang leaders, and business entities. He also highlighted Canada's ongoing support for the Haitian National Police through critical equipment donations and technical assistance, reinforcing Canada's commitment to enhancing stability and security in the region.

The event also facilitated a candid exchange of perspectives among Haitian professionals, who voiced their concerns regarding the slow pace of international intervention and the lack of concrete progress in addressing Haiti's persistent challenges. This important dialogue provided a platform for key stakeholders to explore collaborative solutions aimed at fostering sustainable development and strengthening security in Haiti.



MEETINGS WITH THE MINISTER OF FINANCE MAY 15 AND 30, 2023



On May 15 and 30, 2023, AmCham Haiti, represented by Mrs. Andress Appolon, participated in two strategic meetings with the Minister of Economy and Finance, Mr. Patrick Boisvert, alongside representatives from various professional associations. The discussions, held at the Ministry of Finance, focused on key economic policies and the business climate in Haiti, reinforcing AmCham Haiti's commitment to fostering dialogue and collaboration between the private sector and government institutions. These engagements provided a platform for addressing critical financial challenges and exploring solutions to drive sustainable economic growth in Haiti.

WORKSHOP ON BUSINESS FORMALIZATION ORGANIZED BY THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY (MCI) JUNE 1, 2023

On June 1, 2023, the Ministry of Commerce and Industry (MCI) hosted a workshop focused on the formalization of businesses, emphasizing the critical role of public-private partnerships in improving the business climate and supporting formalization efforts. The discussions highlighted key barriers faced by micro, small, and medium-sized enterprises (MSMEs) in becoming formally registered entities, as well as effective mechanisms for resolving commercial disputes. This initiative reflects MCI's commitment to fostering a more structured and resilient economic environment, where formalized businesses can thrive and contribute to Haiti's sustainable development.

BFA IN THE DOMINICAN REPUBLIC JUNE 13-15

Mr. Maulik Radia, a member of the Board of Directors, proudly represented AmCham Haiti at the Business Forecast of America (BFA) held from June 13 to 15. Organized annually by the Association of American Chambers of Commerce in Latin America and the Caribbean (AACCLA), the BFA serves as a key platform for business leaders and policymakers to discuss economic forecasts, investment opportunities, and strategic initiatives across the Americas. As a Board Member of AACCLA, AmCham Haiti actively participates in these discussions, advocating for Haiti's economic interests and strengthening its business ties within the region. Maulik Radia's presence at this influential event underscores AmCham Haiti's commitment to advancing Haiti's economic growth and integration into regional markets.

MEET THE BOARD | JUNE 15, 2023

On June 15, AmCham Haiti hosted a Meet & Greet event, bringing together a large number of members to engage directly with the newly elected Board of Directors. Designed as an open forum for dialogue, this event provided members with the opportunity to share their perspectives, raise concerns, and offer suggestions. The insights gathered during these exchanges laid a valuable foundation for the Board's strategic retreat, held on June 16 and 17.

A special moment of the evening was the tribute paid to Mr. René Max Auguste. AmCham honored him for his extraordinary courage, relentless determination, and deep commitment to Haiti. His exemplary patriotism and lifelong service to the nation were celebrated and warmly recognized by all in attendance.





STRATEGIC PLANNING RETREAT | JUNE 16 & 17, 2023

The newly elected AmCham Haiti Board of Directors convened for a Strategic Planning Retreat at the Karibe Hotel on June 16 and 17, 2024. The primary objective of this retreat was to establish AmCham Haiti's strategic priorities and chart a clear roadmap for the upcoming mandate. The two-day event brought together Board members for focused discussions on strengthening partnerships with local and international stakeholders, developing robust strategies to attract, retain, and promote investment, and identifying concrete pathways to deepen commercial ties between the United States and Haiti.

The retreat also provided a critical platform for the Board to align its vision with the broader membership's concerns and aspirations. Through open dialogue and collaborative reflection, Board members examined the challenges and opportunities facing the Haitian business environment, outlining actionable steps to foster economic growth and resilience.

During the retreat, three major strategic pillars were defined to guide AmCham Haiti's efforts over the next term, acknowledging that political instability may pose challenges but should not derail the organization's mission:

Strengthen Relationships with the U.S. Embassy and USAID – Reinforce diplomatic and development ties to support economic stability and investment in Haiti.

Develop a Strategic Plan Focused on Survival, Retention, and Attraction of Investments – Present a structured plan to members and stakeholders aimed at sustaining current investments, attracting new ones, and ensuring business continuity in challenging environments.

Create a Lasting Legacy for the Community – Collaborate with the Haitian government to build impactful community initiatives, attract young entrepreneurs to join AmCham, and launch a Women's Network focused on gender equity, women's empowerment, and leadership promotion.



MEETING BETWEEN BUSINESS ASSOCIATIONS AND THE HAITIAN NATIONAL POLICE

JUNE 20, 2023

On June 20, 2023, AmCham Haiti, represented by Mrs. Déborah Stark, participated in a strategic meeting held at the Chamber of Commerce and Industry of the West (CCIO) with the Director General of the Haitian National Police (PNH), his team, and other business associations. The primary objective of this gathering was to re-establish and strengthen the dialogue between the private sector and the PNH, ensuring continuity in collaborative efforts to address security challenges and enhance the business environment in Haiti.

COLLABORATING ON A CODE OF ETHICS FOR THE PRIVATE SECTOR

SUMMER 2023

AmCham Haiti actively participated in a series of meetings with other business associations and the Institut Macaya, to develop a Code of Ethics for the Haitian private sector to contribute to the formulation of this important framework, which aims to establish clear standards of conduct for private sector actors.

The primary objective of this initiative is to guide the behavior of association members while demonstrating to both the Haitian Government and the public the private sector's commitment to integrity, transparency, and improved business practices.

Following in-depth analysis and collaborative discussions, the working group produced a draft Code of Ethics. This preliminary version was shared with select Chambers of Commerce, including AmCham, for review, input, and recommendations ensuring that the final document reflects the shared values and vision of the broader business community.



ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF RECEIPT LETTER TO BINUH JULY 25, 2023

On July 25, 2023, the associations and groups representing Haiti's Private Sector formally expressed their commitment to collaborate with the United Nations Integrated Office in Haiti (BINUH) in its efforts to restore security and stability in the country. The current situation, marked by the isolation of the capital from the rest of the territory, has become intolerable, contributing to a worsening humanitarian crisis. The resurgence of cholera and the heightened risk of social collapse have further exacerbated these challenges, threatening prospects for sustainable peace.

The letter emphasized the urgent need for honest, transparent, and fair elections as a foundational step toward revitalizing the economy and generating sustainable employment opportunities. The signatories reiterated their support for BINUH's mission and their readiness to work alongside international partners to achieve lasting solutions for Haiti's recovery and development.

PROPOSAL TO THE MINISTRY OF ECONOMY AND FINANCE | AUGUST 17 2023

On August 17, 2023, AmCham Haiti, ADIH, ATH, CCIO, and CFHCI, submitted a proposal to the Ministry of Economy and Finance. This document emphasizes the urgent need to eliminate customs duties on solar energy equipment.



Madame Maria Isabel Salvador
Représentante Spéciale pour Haïti
Chef du Bureau Intégré des Nations Unies en Haïti
(BINUH)

Port-au-Prince, le 25 juillet 2023
(BINUH) Ltr-26-07-23(097)HAI
Marianne Harnick

Objet : Engagement à soutenir les efforts pour rétablir la sécurité en Haïti

Chère Madame Salvador,

Les associations et regroupements du Secteur Privé Haïtien, signataires de la présente, tiennent à vous exprimer leur profond engagement à travailler de concert avec vous dans vos efforts pour obtenir le soutien des Nations Unies en vue de rétablir la sécurité en Haïti. La situation actuelle dans le pays, notamment l'isolement de la capitale par rapport au reste du territoire, est devenue intolérable, générant une crise humanitaire qui s'aggrave quotidiennement. La résurgence du choléra et le risque d'implosion sociale ne font qu'aggraver cette situation déjà préoccupante, menaçant ainsi les chances d'établir, dans des délais raisonnables, une paix durable, devant conduire sans plus tarder à la tenue d'élections honnêtes, transparentes et équitables, condition sine qua non à la relance de l'économie et à la création d'emplois rémunérateurs, dans l'intérêt collectif.

Notre soutien est sans réserve même si nous demeurons convaincus que la solution réelle et soutenable pour surmonter le défi de la sécurité des vies et des biens est de rénover les forces de sécurité haïtiennes. Force est toutefois de reconnaître que, dans leur état actuel, ces forces accusent des carences graves en moyens logistiques et humains en vue d'accomplir leur mission avec succès. L'appui d'une force opérationnelle internationale pour seconder la PNH s'avère, en ce sens, incontournable dans le combat à mener de toute urgence contre l'insécurité et la détérioration subséquente des conditions de vie de la population.

Nous nous engageons à être à vos côtés dans cette quête, en travaillant main dans la main pour rétablir un climat de paix indispensable à l'apaisement social et restons disponibles pour collaborer étroitement avec vous, en partageant notre expertise et nos ressources pour soutenir toutes les initiatives en faveur d'une Haïti prospère et sûre pour tous ses citoyens.

En vous remerciant pour vos efforts inlassables pour le bien de notre pays, nous espérons que cette lettre renforce notre volonté commune de faire face à cette crise urgente et de construire un avenir meilleur pour Haïti.

Veuillez agréer, Madame la Représentante Spéciale, nos salutations distinguées.


Gérard LABORDE
Président CCIHC


Jean Philippe BOISSON
Président AMCHAM


Wilhelm LEMKE
Président ADIH


Martine L. CUVILLY
Présidente CCIO


Raina FORBIN
Présidente ATH


Edouard BAUSSAN
Regroupement Patronal
Haïtien


Pierre-Marie BOISSON
Regroupement Patronal
Haïtien



PRESS RELEASE

SEPTEMBER 5, 2023

The American Chamber of Commerce in Haiti (AmCham Haiti) expresses its deep concern and dismay over the alarming deterioration of conditions in the Artibonite and Central departments. These regions are facing escalating insecurity and increasingly precarious living conditions, where communities are forced to endure the constant sound of automatic gunfire.

AmCham Haiti stands in solidarity with the affected populations and calls for urgent and decisive action to restore safety and stability in these areas. The Chamber reaffirms its commitment to supporting initiatives aimed at strengthening security, improving living conditions, and fostering economic resilience for the people of Haiti.

BUDGET CONSULTATION MEETING WITH MINISTRY OF ECONOMY AND FINANCE

SEPTEMBER 25, 2023

On September 25, 2023, Mr. Clément Bélizaire represented AmCham Haiti at a high-level consultation organized by the Ministry of Economy and Finance (MEF) on the 2023–2024 national budget.

The meeting was chaired by Minister Michel Patrick Boisvert and included senior officials from the MEF and representatives from the Haitian private sector. The session focused on the government's fiscal strategies amid ongoing economic and security challenges.

Key topics discussed:

- Presentation of macroeconomic priorities and budgetary orientations by the MEF, including efforts to reduce monetary financing and promote economic stability.
- A projected economic contraction of -1.5% and high inflation at 38.2%.
- The need for investment in public security, infrastructure, and productive sectors.
- Controversial increases in excise taxes, especially on alcohol and tobacco, were debated by private sector representatives.
- Calls were made for fiscal stability, stronger institutional governance (e.g., EDH, ONA, ULCC), and support for SMEs.

Mr. Bélizaire advocated for pragmatic solutions in the energy sector, highlighting the opportunity for public-private collaboration to stabilize electricity supply for industrial zones.

AmCham Haiti reaffirmed its commitment to constructive dialogue with public authorities and emphasized the importance of policy coherence, investment incentives, and institutional reforms to support private sector growth and national recovery.



AACCLA

OCTOBER 23, 2023

Michael Lemke represented AmCham Haiti at AACCLA's 56th Annual Governing Board Meeting, held on October 23, 2023, in Washington, D.C. This high-level meeting gathered regional AmChams to address key economic and policy challenges across Latin America and the Caribbean.

Mr. Lemke raised four major concerns regarding Haiti:

- Insecurity due to escalating gang violence and kidnappings.
- Rule of Law issues tied to weak accountability mechanisms.
- Food Insecurity caused by blockades and disrupted crop distribution.
- Education challenges, including rising tuition and decreased school attendance.

Other key highlights included:

- A call to reinstate a Memorandum of Understanding with the U.S. Embassy to streamline business visa renewals, led by AmCham Trinidad with support from AACCLA.
- Emphasis on the strategic importance of the region to the U.S., with encouragement for continued American investment.
- A briefing on APEP (Americas Partnership for Prosperity), with focus areas including smart agriculture, semiconductors, green energy, and financial inclusion. While Haiti is not currently a participant, the initiative signals opportunities for future regional integration.

The meeting also featured the presence of representatives from the Office of U.S. Vice President Kamala Harris, underscoring the importance of regional economic cooperation and private sector engagement.

LUNCH WITH THE NEW CHARGÉ D'AFFAIRES IN HAITI, MR. ERIC STROMAYER | NOVEMBER 17, 2023

The Board Members of AmCham Haiti and the Executive Director had the pleasure of meeting with Mr. Eric Stromayer, the new Chargé d'Affaires at the U.S. Embassy in Haiti, for an introductory lunch. Several representatives from the Embassy's Economic Section also attended the gathering, which served as an opportunity to establish rapport and strengthen ties. During the meeting, the President of AmCham shared the Board's three main strategic objectives, laying the groundwork for future collaboration between AmCham and the U.S. Embassy.



PARTICIPATION IN AACCLA OUTLOOK ON THE AMERICAS CONFERENCE AND STRATEGIC PLANNING MEETING

JANUARY 30-31, 2024

Michael Lemke, Vice President of the AACCLA Board, and Erika Rosenthal, Executive Director of AmCham Haiti, represented the Chamber at the AACCLA Outlook on the Americas Conference and Strategic Planning Meeting held on January 30–31, 2024, in Miami, Florida. This high-level event convened leaders from the AmCham network across the hemisphere to discuss strategic priorities and regional economic outlooks, fostering collaboration and alignment across the Americas.



LUNCHEON WITH U.S. EMBASSY ECONOMIC COUNSELOR NICK HILBERGT IN FLORIDA

APRIL 26, 2024

On April 26, 2024, AmCham Haiti representatives, including President Jean Philippe Boisson, Tatiana Siméon, and Executive Director Erika Rosenthal, participated in a luncheon with Mr. Nick Hilbert, Economic Counselor at the U.S. Embassy in Haiti. This event provided an opportunity to discuss economic developments, investment opportunities, and the ongoing efforts to strengthen economic ties between Haiti and the United States. The exchange highlighted AmCham Haiti's commitment to fostering dialogue and collaboration with key stakeholders in advancing Haiti's economic landscape.

ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITIES AND COORDINATION IN HAITI

MAY 10, 2024

On May 10, 2024, AmCham Haiti's Board members, along with Executive Director Erika Rosenthal, met with representatives from the Economic Section of the U.S. Embassy to explore economic opportunities tied to the upcoming MSS Mission. The discussion centered on identifying ways for local Haitian businesses to engage with the mission by offering key services such as translation, laundry, and waste management. This strategic dialogue underscored AmCham Haiti's commitment to leveraging local capacity and fostering economic inclusion in international initiatives.



AMBASSADOR DENNIS BRUCE HANKINS MEETS WITH AMCHAM HAITI BOARD OF DIRECTORS MAY 24, 2024

On May 24, 2024, Mr. Nicholas Hilgert, Economic Counselor at the U.S. Embassy, introduced Ambassador Dennis Bruce Hankins to the AmCham Haiti Board of Directors and Executive Director Erika Rosenthal. Ambassador Hankins, currently serving as Minister-Counselor of the Foreign Service, brings a wealth of diplomatic experience, having previously served as the U.S. Ambassador to Mali and Guinea, as well as Deputy Chief of Mission in Sudan, Mauritania, and Mozambique. His career also includes significant roles in Haiti, where he served as the Non-Immigrant Visa Chief and Refugee Coordinator. Ambassador Hankins holds a Bachelor's degree from Georgetown University's School of Foreign Service and a Master's degree from the National War College. His extensive background and familiarity with Haiti underscore his commitment to strengthening diplomatic and economic ties between the United States and Haiti.

WEBINAR: INSIGHTS ON HOW TO DO BUSINESS WITH THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE 31 MAY 2024

On May 31, 2024, the AmCham Haiti Board convened a strategic meeting with representatives from the U.S. Embassy's economic team, SOUTHCOM, and the Foreign Commercial Service to discuss procurement needs and the availability of local resources in support of the MSS mission. Following this collaborative dialogue, AmCham organized a targeted webinar for its members to address their questions and explore commercial opportunities with the U.S. Department of Defense. The session was led by Christofer Gardiner, Contracting Officer of the Forward Contracting Element in Haiti, providing valuable insights into the procurement process and pathways for Haitian businesses to engage with U.S. defense contracts.



BREAKFAST MEETING WITH PRIME MINISTER GARY CONILLE AND THE PRIVATE SECTOR JUNE 7, 2024

On June 7, 2024, AmCham Haiti was represented by its President, Mr. Jean-Philippe Boisson, along with Mrs. Deborah Stark, 2nd Vice-President, and Mr. Clement Belizaire, 1st Vice-President, at a breakfast meeting hosted by the newly appointed Prime Minister, Dr. Gary Conille. The event took place at Hôtel Montana and brought together key representatives from the private sector, including members of ADIH, ATH, APB, CCIO, the Canadian-Haitian Chamber, the Franco-Haitian Chamber, the Chamber of Trades, and the Arbitration Chamber. This important gathering fostered open dialogue aimed at strengthening collaboration between the government and private sector stakeholders to support Haiti's economic development.



BREAKFAST MEETING WITH THE PRESIDENTIAL COUNCIL MR. LAURENT SAINT-CYR AND MINISTER OF COMMERCE, INDUSTRY, AND TOURISM MR. JAMES MONAZARD. JUNE 28 2024

On June 28, 2024, members of the boards of ATH, AmCham Haiti, ADIH, CCIO, CCIHC, and the Institut Macaya convened for a cordial breakfast meeting at Hôtel Montana with Mr. Laurent Saint-Cyr, Member of the Presidential Council representing the Private Sector, and Mr. James Monazard, the newly appointed Minister of Commerce, Industry, and Tourism. The gathering served as an opportunity to formally introduce Minister Monazard, engage in constructive dialogue on the current challenges faced by private sector businesses, and exchange insights with Presidential Advisor Saint-Cyr regarding the priorities set forth by the Presidential Transition Council. This event highlighted the commitment of AmCham Haiti and its partners to foster strong public-private partnerships at advancing economic growth and stability in Haiti.





LET'S CATCH UP | JULY 3, 2024

On July 3, 2024, AmCham Haiti hosted a successful networking cocktail event titled “Let’s Catch Up” at the ASU of the Karibe Hotel. The U.S. Ambassador to Haiti, Mr. Dennis Hankins, was the guest of honor and delivered an inspiring address following a warm introduction by AmCham President, Mr. Jean-Philippe Boisson. The event also welcomed the Minister of Commerce, Industry, and Tourism, Mr. James Monazard, who engaged in meaningful conversations with attendees.

The evening featured insightful presentations by AmCham board members, including Mr. Jean-Philippe Boisson on the Haiti Strategic Development Vision Document, Ms. Tatiana Bell on the AmCham Women’s Network, and Mrs. Erika Rosenthal, speaking on behalf of Ms. Andress Apollon, on U.S. Government Relations. Members and guests took full advantage of the relaxed atmosphere to reconnect, network, and exchange ideas with representatives from the U.S. Embassy’s Economic Section and USAID.

The event marked a significant moment for AmCham Haiti, reinforcing connections within its community after months of security challenges and setting the stage for strengthened collaborations moving forward.



U.S. INDEPENDENCE DAY CELEBRATION AT THE U.S. EMBASSY JULY 4, 2024

AmCham Haiti was proudly represented by President Jean-Philippe Boisson, Board Members Maulik Radia and Clément Bélizaire, and Executive Director Erika Rosenthal at the U.S. Embassy in Tabarre for the celebration of the Fourth of July. Hosted by U.S. Ambassador Dennis Hankins, the event brought together distinguished political and business leaders to commemorate the United States' Independence Day. The gathering provided a valuable opportunity for networking and reinforcing diplomatic and economic ties between the United States and Haiti.



MEETING WITH PRIME MINISTER GARRY CONILLE AND BUSINESS ASSOCIATIONS JULY 26, 2024

On July 26, 2024, a high-level meeting was held at Villa d'Accueil, bringing together Prime Minister Garry Conille, Mr. Laurent Saint-Cyr, Member of the Presidential Counsel, and representatives from various business associations. The primary focus of the discussions was the newly proposed tax code, set to be implemented on October 1, 2024. During the meeting, private sector representatives voiced their concerns and formally requested a moratorium on the tax code's enforcement.

The dialogue underscored the importance of collaborative engagement between the government and the business community to ensure a balanced approach that supports economic stability and growth.





AMCHAM WOMEN'S NETWORK EVENT ON THE WOMEN'S LEADERSHIP IN HAITI'S RECONSTRUCTION SEPTEMBER 28TH, 2024

On September 28, 2024, the AmCham Women's Network hosted an impactful event at the Ritz Kinam II under the theme "Women's Leadership for the Reconstruction of Haiti." This gathering brought together distinguished leaders such as Christelle Vaval, Mica Bruno, Vanessa Abdel Razak, Christine Coupet, and Michèle Delerme, who shared their expertise and perspectives on innovation, resilience, and community engagement. Their insights underscored the critical role of women in driving sustainable development and fostering positive change within Haitian communities.

The event also featured a vibrant Mini Fair, showcasing products and services from local businesses, reflecting Haiti's entrepreneurial spirit and innovation. Attendees had the opportunity to explore a diverse range of offerings from exhibitors such as Charles Fequiere, Kauna, Rebo, Savons des Îles, Makeda, and many more, promoting local craftsmanship and business excellence.

The day concluded with an engaging workshop led by clinical psychologist Johanne Landrin, focusing on personal well-being and the importance of work-life balance, providing participants with practical strategies for managing both personal and professional growth.

This successful event was made possible through the generous support of our sponsors: Unibank, Tropical Recycling, Comme Il Faut, Laboratoires 4C, GB Groupe, Fatima Group, and BRH.

We extend our heartfelt appreciation to all sponsors and exhibitors whose contributions enriched this inspiring event, celebrating women's leadership as a cornerstone for Haiti's reconstruction and sustainable growth.



HAITIAN LADIES NETWORK OCTOBER 14, 2024

The Haitian Ladies Network hosted a remarkable weekend event, bringing together a powerful community of Haitian women leaders committed to empowerment, leadership, and community development. AmCham Haiti was proudly represented by Mrs. Deborah Stark, Vice President, and Mrs. Erika Rosenthal, Executive Director. The event provided a vibrant platform for Haitian women to connect, collaborate, and celebrate their shared heritage while engaging in meaningful discussions aimed at driving positive change within their communities.



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October 30, 2024

Andress Apollon
Founder and CEO
Apollon Strategies LLC

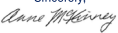
Dear Andress:

Congratulations on your election to the Governing Board of the Association of American Chambers of Commerce in Latin America and the Caribbean (AACCLA).

We appreciate your commitment to serve the AACCLA membership, which is a testament to the importance of our shared mission to advocate for trade and investment between the countries of Latin America, the Caribbean and the United States through free trade, free enterprise and competitive markets.

Now more than ever, AACCLA provides a valuable platform for AmChams to work together and in partnership with the U.S. Chamber to serve as a voice for the business community and to contribute to economic growth and opportunity in the Americas. Your leadership and expertise will help advance AACCLA's strategic priorities as we promote our shared values, advocate for AmChams' common policy priorities and provide tools to strengthen member AmChams.

We look forward to working with you. Please count on the AACCLA Secretariat team for support and feel free to reach out to us at any time.

Sincerely,

Anne McKinney
Executive Vice President, AACCLA
Vice President, Americas
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WELCOME LETTER TO ANDRESS APOLLON, AS AMCHAM HAITI REPRESENTATIVE AT AACCLA OCTOBER 30, 2024



AMCHAM HAITI PARTICIPATES IN NAAHP CONFERENCE WITH USAID/ATTEINDRE NOVEMBER 7-9 2024

AmCham Haiti was pleased to participate in the NAAHP Conference in Atlanta, Georgia, from November 7-9, 2024, as part of an invitation from MEDA, a USAID supported initiative. This impactful event brought together leaders from diverse fields to focus on workforce development strategies and enterprise growth in Haiti.

Our team's primary engagement centered on the USAID/Atteindre Workshop: "From Ideas to Action: Building Workforce Development Strategies for Haiti," hosted on Friday, November 8. This interactive session explored pathways to develop human resources that drive enterprise growth and inclusive economic progress in Haiti.

CONSTITUTIONAL REFORM COMMITTEE MEETING DECEMBER 9, 2024

AmCham Haiti was invited by Mr. Jerry Tardieu, Coordinator of the Constitutional Reform Task Force, to participate in a high-level meeting aimed at initiating discussions with organized sectors of the country on the revision of the Constitution. Following this initial dialogue, a subsequent meeting was held by the National Conference, bringing together representatives from various chambers of commerce, including AmCham Haiti, on December 9, 2024.

The purpose of this gathering was to align efforts and consolidate recommendations from the boards of directors represented, with the goal of presenting well-structured proposals for constitutional reform. This collaborative approach underscores AmCham Haiti's commitment to contributing to national dialogue and supporting institutional strengthening in Haiti.

AMCHAM HAITI PARTICIPATES IN THE LAUNCH OF THE SECURITY CRISIS ASSESSMENT REPORT (RCIA) DECEMBER 16, 2024

On December 16, 2024, AmCham Haiti was represented by Mrs. Andress Apollon and Mr. Jude Jean-Baptiste at a virtual meeting organized by the Ministry of Finance. The event brought together key leaders, including Prime Minister Fils-Aimé, the Governor of the Central Bank, several Cabinet Ministers, representatives from civil society, and major multinational development banks.

The primary objective of the meeting was to present the findings of the Security Crisis Assessment Report (RCIA) and gather feedback from critical stakeholders in preparation for an upcoming donors' funding conference scheduled for January 2025 in Washington, D.C. AmCham Haiti's participation reflects its commitment to supporting economic stability and security initiatives that contribute to sustainable development in Haiti.

CONTRIBUTION TO ADIH FOR HOPE/HELP ADVOCACY DECEMBER 19, 2024

On December 19, 2024, AmCham Haiti presented a contribution of USD 20,000 to the Association des Industries d'Haïti (ADIH) to support its advocacy efforts surrounding the HOPE/HELP legislation. This strategic support shows AmCham's commitment to strengthening Haiti's manufacturing sector and enhancing trade opportunities that drive economic growth and job creation.



LIVE WEBINAR: ORGANIZING ELECTIONS IN HAITI FEBRUARY 18, 2025

On February 18, 2025, AmCham Haiti hosted a live webinar featuring Sperancia Moïse and Bingel Victor from the Center for the Promotion of Democracy and Participatory Education. Invited as expert speakers, they provided valuable insights into the fundamental process of organizing elections in Haiti. The webinar addressed key stages and challenges associated with election organization, offering participants clear and practical information on this critical topic of national importance.



ECONOMIC RECOVERY: CHALLENGES AND PROSPECTS

MARCH 13, 2025

On March 13, 2025, the American Chamber of Commerce in Haiti (AmCham) hosted a panel discussion at the Karibe Convention Center titled “Economic Recovery: Challenges and Prospects.” The event brought together leaders from the public and private sectors to explore solutions for revitalizing Haiti’s economy in the aftermath of the security crisis. The discussion was moderated by economist Etzer Emile, ensuring a dynamic exchange of ideas among participants.

The panel featured distinguished speakers including Minister of Economy Alfred Métellus, Minister of Commerce James Monazard, economist Pierre-Marie Boisson, and Central Bank Governor Ronald Gabriel. Key topics included increasing local consumption through humanitarian spending, enhancing foreign currency accessibility, and expanding internet infrastructure to drive economic growth. Governor Gabriel announced revisions to the Central Bank’s monetary policies meant to support SMEs, along with plans to extend the Booster SME program nationwide.

Minister Monazard stressed the importance of job creation to reverse economic decline, with a focus on youth entrepreneurship, technology, and tourism. He also highlighted the Ministry’s initiatives to mentor SMEs and renew the HOPE/HELP law to stimulate trade and investment.

The event marked a critical step in strengthening public-private dialogue, reinforcing AmCham’s commitment to supporting economic development and collaboration in Haiti.





FINANCIAL STATEMENT

BALANCE SHEET DECEMBER 31, 2024, 2023 AND 2022 (EXPRESSED IN US DOLLARS)

ASSETS	2024	2023	2022
CASH	99	-	85
BANK - GOURDES BUH	(104)	2	982
BANK - US DOLLARS BUH	76 292	81 861	20 568
BUH TERM DEPOSIT US\$	500 000	500 000	550 000
	500 000	500 000	550 000
CASH AND TERM DEPOSITS	576 286	581 863	571 634
OTHER EQUIPMENT, NET	725	-	4 175
ACCOUNT RECEIVABLES	41	-	-
INTEREST RECEIVABLE	2 917	-	-
	3 683	-	4 175
TOTAL ASSETS	579 969	581 863	575 809
LIABILITIES			
DEFERRED DUES	6 000	3 875	1 500
TOTAL LIABILITIES	6 000	3 875	1 500
MEMBER'S EQUITY - AMCHAM	573 969	577 987	574 309
LIABILITIES AND MEMBER'S EQUITY	579 969	581 862	575 809
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STATEMENTS OF REVENUES AND EXPENSES YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2024, 2023 AND 2022 (EXPRESSED IN US DOLLARS)

ASSETS	2024	2023	2022
MEMBERSHIP DUES	144 840	153 157	167 135
SPONSORS AND EVENTS	8 500	2 000	4 197
OTHER INCOME	26 850	19 069	19 640
TOTAL REVENUES	\$ 180 190	\$ 174 216	\$ 190 972
EXPENSES			
PERSONNEL AND BENEFITS	90 229	88 190	99 146
OFFICE EXPENSES	64 685	66 155	56 280
AMCHAM EVENTS	9 894	12 736	3 950
DONATIONS AND CONTRIBUTIONS	20 000	7 500	8 090
FOREIGN EXCHANGE GAIN	(600)	(4 042)	(7 680)
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$ 184 208	\$ 170 538	\$ 159 786
EXCESS (DEFICIT) FOR THE YEAR	(4 018)	3 678	31 186
MEMBERS' EQUITY, AT THE BEGINNING OF YEAR	577 987	574 309	543 123
MEMBERS' EQUITY, AT END OF YEAR	\$ 573 969	\$ 577 987	\$ 574 309

NEW MEMBERS ADDED TO THE AMCHAM FAMILY

NEW AMCHAM MEMBERS IN 2023

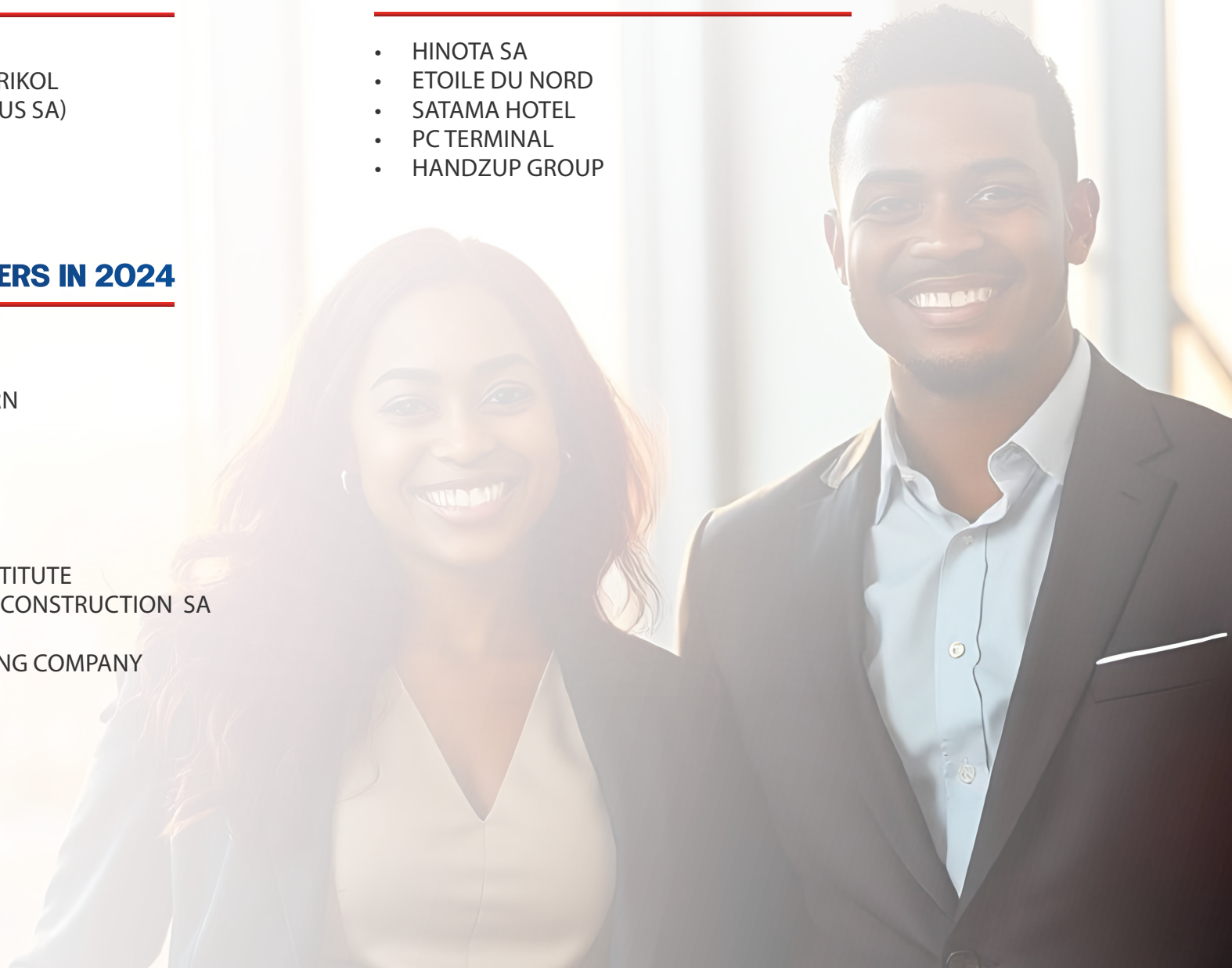
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- CRISTO SA -(CHRISTOFERUS SA)
- PAPYRUS SA - RETURN

NEW AMCHAM MEMBERS IN 2024

- A LA LETTRE
- GOELAND VOYAGES
- HAITI JARDIN S.A - RETURN
- HAYTRAC - RETURN
- MIND BODY AYITI
- PRO DISTRIBUTION SA
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