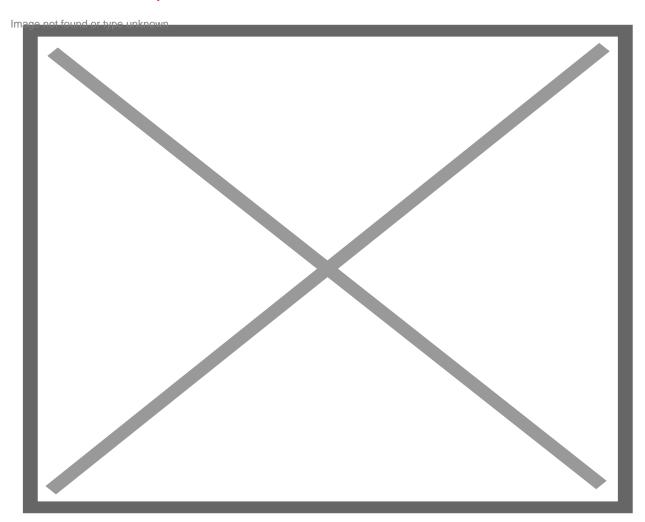
## After a Consortium Story, Bryan Holds Meeting With B.I.R., Dept. of Finance to Push Out Checks Faster

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Even as Governor Albert Bryan sought to cast blame on the Consortium for conflicting information coming from his administration, the governor — following a widely-read article on this publication on the timeline of the release of CARES Act stimulus checks to Virgin Islanders — held a meeting with Department of Finance and V.I. Bureau of Internal Revenue Director, Joel Lee this morning on the prospects of speeding up the release of the funds.

After the meeting, it was determined that between \$8 million to \$10 million will be released on a weekly basis.

"We had a conversation with [Dept. of Finance] and him [Joel Lee] this morning, and they keep saying we just don't want the banks to be crowded, but we cranked that up, and we'll monitor the banks, and if it could take more we'll send off \$15 [million], \$20 million a week."

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