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Over 2,000 2015 Tax Refunds Mailed Out Friday, Government House Says

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ST. THOMAS -- The Department of Finance delivered 2,116 tax refund checks to the United States Post Office Friday afternoon and more than \$5 million is now on its way to Virgin Islands residents, Government House announced late Friday. The on-time delivery is part of the Mapp administration's promise to continue delivering tax refund checks in a timely fashion, a breakaway from former Governor John P. de Jongh days, when many residents hadn't seen refunds in years.

The Mapp administration, since taking office, has made refund payments [dating back to 2012](#).

Clarina Modeste-Elliott, executive assistant to Finance Commissioner Valdamier Collens, confirmed that the refund checks were delivered to the U.S. Post Office at approximately 2 p.m. on Friday.

According to Government House, these represent the second large batch of 2015 income tax refunds to be processed since the April 15 filing deadline. More than 3,500 refund checks were mailed out on May 12, totaling about \$10 million.

Governor Kenneth Mapp has credited the territory's strengthened financial condition and improved management of resources for allowing refunds to be paid in a timely manner. And he once again expressed his appreciation to the staff of both the Bureau of Internal Revenue and the Department of Finance for their diligence in processing tax returns and refund checks.