## **Bureau of Internal Revenue Reminding V.I. Residents Not to File Taxes With the IRS**

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The V.I. Bureau of Internal Revenue on Tuesday reminded all bona fide residents of the Virgin Islands that they are required to file their individual income tax returns in the territory with B.I.R.

The due date for the filing of income tax returns this year is Tuesday, April 19, 2022, due to the Easter Holidays.

Taxpayers are reminded that they can file Form 1040 or Form 1040SR. "In addition, bona fide residents of the Virgin Islands must not file their individual income tax returns, electronically or by mail, with the Internal Revenue Service (IRS)," reminded B.I.R. Director Joel Lee. He said this is a violation of the law. Taxpayers who file with the IRS and receive erroneous refunds from the IRS will have to repay the erroneous refund issued by the IRS, and will be subject to penalties and

interest.

According to the release, there is no electronic filing in the Virgin Islands at this time. Taxpayers must drop off in person or mail the returns to the bureau for processing.

For more information about filing requirements for bona fide residents, call the Office of Chief Counsel at 715-1040, ext. 2249.

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