



President of the Nassau, Bahamas Association in New York, U.S.A., Williams Dames presented Wendall Jones owner of Love 97 and The Journal, and Dr. Leon Higgs, president of the College of the Bahamas with ceramic plaques for their trip to New York City to show their support for the persons living there since the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks. Pictured (L-R) are Calvin Johnson, The Bahamas' consul general in New York City; Wendall Jones, owner of Love 97 and The Journal; Dr. Leon Higgs, president of the College of the Bahamas, William Dames, president of the Nassau, Bahamas Association in New York; and Frank Minaya, member of the Association.

Delegates visit New York, receives special thanks from association

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At a press breakfast held at COB, William Dames, president of the Nassau, Bahamas Association in New York City, presented Wendall Jones and Dr. Leon Higgs ceramic plaques of the Bahamas Coat of Arms as an expression of gratitude for the genuine concern

shown them by Bahamians.

Jones led a 25-member to New York on Oct. 11 to visit the site of the terrorists attack. They spent four days touring the city, which included visiting the firemen, policemen and other persons who participated in the rescue operations.

At the Breakfast, Jones said that it was a deep-rooted thought of his that the Bahamian people show sympathy and empathy for the Americans who lost their lives on Sept. 11.

Additionally, he noted that American Airlines and several hotels participated in the mission of love campaign by presenting free airfare and hotel room accommodations for some of persons who helped in the rescue operations to visit The Bahamas.

ing to benefit from any disaster, it is all an expression of love, an expression of sympathy, and as I said empathy from the people of the Bahamas," he said.

Dr. Higgs noted that the delegation, while standing about 100 feet away from ground zero where the World Trade Center once stood, held up the mission of love sign and was graciously received by onlookers who were pleased with the gesture. Additionally, Dr. Higgs said that the experience was "an eerie feeling" to actually visit the site.

"I felt excited to be there, and at the same time I felt sad for the people of New York, and I felt a sense of despondence because what affected New York affected the whole world," he said.

On Sept. 11, two aeroplanes crashed and exploded in the World Trade Center in New York killing thousands of persons. Additionally one