Welcome and thank you for coming.

My name is David Hillier and I have lived in St, Georges all my life, in fact I have lived in the Area of Old Military and Slippery for almost 60 years. I am speaking on the behalf of a group called the Old Military Road Task Force (OMRTF), which represents a group of just over 300 people that live in this area of Old Military Road, Slippery Hill and Top Square, St Georges.  
  
First and foremost we want this hotel to be built in St George’s. We do recognize that it is very important. However, I must say that we feel it is a hotel that is needed and not this proposed residential site. The proposed ideas look extremely crowded and there appears to be far too much concrete for such a small area. Our group is very MUCH AGAINST what is being built, i.e. residences, villas, condos and hotel rooms.  All these things seem to be ONE ON TOP OF THE OTHER.

YES we do embrace the idea of a Hotel.  
  
However, we of OMRTF are facing a bigger threat to our Area.  A Woodland Reserve Area in the heart of a Residential Area has been taken over by the Bazarian group to become what is their Utility Zone.  
  
We are very concerned and upset that this location has been picked to house all the industrial utilities including a sewage plant.  We feel that the location chosen has not been thought through adequately.

If you look at the map of the area it shows that there are 128 acres of land being given to this development for a period of 262 years.  The development is on the top of a hill and faces the North, Northeast and East directions. The Woodland Reserve Area is to the South West about 1/4 of mile down hill from this site. The Area is totally land locked and has quiet neighborhood roads.  
  
This now becomes an Industrial Site - all on approximately 1 acre of Woodland Reserve. How can this happen???  
  
AT THE DEPARTMENT of Planning we have seen this area mapped out. The Site will house a Belco power plant, 2 Backup generators, and fuel tanks, a reverse Osmosis Plant (300,000 gallon/day), a Tertiary Sewage plant (125,000 gallon/day), a Golf Maintenance Shed and Offices to be place on a gray water holding tank 60,000 gallons. There will be access roads and parking lots.  Again all this seems too much for such a small area of 1 acre  
  
On the back of this they are now proposing that the sewage produced by the area of St. George’s Corporation and St. George’s club, the staff quarters and the Sylvian Richardson complex are to be added to the Sewage System.  
  
We are saying that there is too much Industrial activity for this residential area to sustain....  
  
We feel that this once quiet area of St George's will be lost forever....  
  
We feel that our homes in which we have lived in all our lives and in which we have invested time and money will now be greatly Devalued.  
  
There has been no real communication from our corporate neighbors. No discussions.

How can we embrace this?! It is unacceptable.

THE AREA WILL EXPERIENCE ISSUES WITH the increased traffic for the hotel, but also form large industrial vehicles and noise pollution coming from all the equipment (blowers, pumps, alarms generators, golf carts).

There will also be reverse osmosis odors and hydrogen sulphide smells, etc!!  
  
WE GET TO HAVE THIS FOR THE REST OF OUR LIVES ... 365 DAYS A YEAR, 24/7.  THIS IS UNACCEPTABLE!!  
  
AN ALTERNATE SITE MUST BE FOUND WITH THE CORPORTION OF ST GEORGE’S, THE BERMUDA GOVERNMENT (PLANNING) AND BAZARIAN GROUP.  
  
OUR GREATEST FEAR IS THAT THE GROUP WILL BUILD THE INDUSTRIAL PARK AS IS, THEN THEY WILL BUILD THE 1ST PHASE AND THEN THEY WILL NOT SELL THESE SO CALLED RESDIENCES AND THE DEVELOPMENT WILL ONLY BE 1/2 BUILT.  BUT WE NOW.... THE RESIDENTS HAVE THIS HUGE INDUSTRIAL SITE ON OUR FRONT DOOR.

WE HAVE SUGGESTED ALTERNATE SITES ON THE PROPERTY AND AT THE END OF THE DAY

THE RESIDENTS WOULD LIKE TO FIND A SUITABLE SITE ON WHICH TO PUT THIS UTILITY PLANT.  
  
THANKYOU