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# Former Governor General Sir Orville Turnquest launches historic, revealing book

Surrounded by a small group of family and friends, Sir Orville Turnquest, former governor general, presented the first copy of his book, "What Manner of Man is This?" to the current Governor General Dame Marguerite Pindling during a brief ceremony celebrating the book's worldwide publication at an official launch held at Government House.

Although many books have been written about the Duke and Duchess of Windsor, Sir Orville's incisive book is the only one that focuses exclusively on the Duke's administration while royal governor of The Bahamas from 1940-1945, after he abdicated the throne as King of England in order to marry the twice-divorced Mrs. Wallis Simpson.

While the world reveled in what was portrayed as both one of the greatest love stories of all time and



Former Governor General Sir Orville Turnquest (left) presents a signed copy of his book "What Manner of Man is This?" to Dame Marguerite Pindling, governor general of The Bahamas during a special presentation at Government House. KOVAH DUNCOMBE FOR DPA

the scandal of the century, the reality for The Bahamas was that the Duke and Duchess of Windsor viewed

his assignment as royal governor as severe punishment, banishment to a far-flung island country with-

out any of the trappings of a royal life. Though they gave of themselves

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Continued from page A3 personally in times of crisis, they never truly warmed to the people of the island nation, nor did they reciprocate the warmth with which Bahamians showed them.

Diane Gedymin, publisher of Grant's Town Press, states that, "This incisive

book reveals the Duke and Duchess as racially biased, unwilling to disturb the status quo, and who fell far short of making a positive impact during his tenure."

The book will be available at all major bookstores in New Providence, Grand Bahama, Eleuthera

and Abaco. The hardcover edition will be available at \$35 and paperback for \$25.20 and the eBook on Amazon.com, Barnes and Noble, eBooks and other eBook retailers worldwide. The publisher is Grant's Town Press ([www.grantstowpress.com](http://www.grantstowpress.com)).



Family and friends gathered at Government House for the launch of "What Manner of Man is This?" by Sir Orville Turnquest, former governor general. The book gives an historical account of the Duke of Windsor's time and governance in The Bahamas.



Diane Gedymin, publisher of Grant's Town Press, brings remarks during the launch of "What Manner of Man is This?" at Government House. Sir Orville Turnquest, the author and former governor general looks on. PHOTOS: KOVAH DUNCOMBE FOR DPA



Sir Orville Turnquest, former governor general (right), presents a signed copy of his book "What Manner of Man is This?" to Dr. Rodney Smith, president of the University of The Bahamas, as Mrs. Smith looks on.