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**RE: The Passing of His Highness Sheikh Khalifa bin Zayed Al Nahyan,
President of the United Arab Emirates and the Ruler of Abu Dhabi**

The Government and people of Saint Vincent and the Grenadines extend our heartfelt condolences to the Royal Family and the Government and people of the United Arab Emirates on the passing of His Highness Sheikh Khalifa bin Zayed Al Nahyan, President of the United Arab Emirates and the Ruler of Abu Dhabi.

His Highness Sheikh Khalifa Bin Zayed Al Nahyan was a central figure in his country's extraordinary historical development. He was a devoted leader, whose progressive economic and social policies were pivotal in empowering, transforming and modernising the United Arab Emirates. His Highness was also a prudent statesman who worked assiduously to forge ties and enhance relations between the Gulf Region and the wider world in the pursuit of peace, prosperity and security.

Our two countries have built a quality and meaningful partnership over the recent years. We remain committed to this relationship as we continue to cooperate closely on global issues. His Highness was a loyal friend to Saint Vincent and the Grenadines, and his legacy will be remembered as one of great vision.

May his soul rest in eternal peace.


Dr. The Hon. Ralph E. Gonsalves
Prime Minister

Kingstown
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