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**SVG SIGNS JOINT COMMUNIQUÉ WITH THE REPUBLIC OF BURUNDI TO
ESTABLISH DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS**



H.E. Ms. Inga Rhonda King, Permanent Representative of Saint Vincent and the Grenadines to the United Nations (left) and H.E. Mr. Zéphyrin Maniratanga, Permanent Representative of the Republic of Burundi to the United Nations

SAINT VINCENT AND THE GRENADINES, January 11, 2022 – On 24th November, 2021, the Government of Saint Vincent and the Grenadines signed a Joint Communiqué to establish diplomatic relations with the Republic of Burundi.

H.E. Ms. Inga Rhonda King, Permanent Representative of Saint Vincent and the Grenadines to the United Nations and H.E. Mr. Zéphyrin Maniratanga, Permanent Representative of the Republic of Burundi to the United Nations signed the Joint Communiqué on behalf of the governments for both countries.

The Joint Communiqué to establish relations between both countries is guided by the principles and purposes of the United Nations Charter and international law, particularly the respect and promotion of international peace and security, equality among States, due respect for national sovereignty and territorial integrity, independence and international treaties, and non-interference in internal affairs of States.

Recently, Saint Vincent and the Grenadines also signed a Joint Communiqué with the Republic of Rwanda on 9th November, 2021 to establish diplomatic relations between both countries. It is anticipated by the year-end, several other African countries will sign joint communiqué with this country to establish diplomatic relations.

The Government of Saint Vincent and the Grenadines looks forward for fruitful bilateral relations based on mutual benefit between this country and its diplomatic allies.

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