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**PRIME MINISTER; DR. RALPH E. GONSALVES AND DELEGATION IN DOHA FORUM 2024**

**SAINT VINCENT AND THE GRENADINES, December 10, 2024** — The Honourable Prime Minister; Dr. Ralph E. Gonsalves led a high-level delegation to the prestigious Doha Forum in Qatar, an international platform for dialogue on critical global issues, innovation, and partnerships for sustainable development.

The delegation included senior officials from the Government of Saint Vincent and the Grenadines, reflecting the country's commitment to engage on the world stage to address pressing challenges and seize opportunities for collaboration.

During the Forum, Prime Minister Gonsalves and members of the delegation engaged with global partners to strengthen the voice of Small Island Developing States (SIDS) in discussions on global issues, including climate change, economic development, and social equity.

The opportunity was also seized for partnership building, as the delegation engaged in bilateral and multilateral discussions with leaders, policymakers, and global stakeholders to foster partnerships and attract investments to key sectors in Saint Vincent and the Grenadines.

The Doha Forum held under the theme "Transforming for a New Era", brought together world leaders, policymakers, scholars, and business leaders to discuss solutions to contemporary global challenges. Key topics included:

- Climate resilience and the transition to renewable energy,
- The global economic recovery post-pandemic,
- Advancement of educational systems to incorporate more, the use of modern technology,

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- Technological innovation for sustainable growth, and
  - Peace, security, and geopolitical cooperation.

For Saint Vincent and the Grenadines, the Doha Forum presented an invaluable opportunity to share experiences and perspectives, particularly as a small island developing state confronting the realities of climate change and global economic shifts. The participation of Saint Vincent and the Grenadines at the Doha Forum underscores the Government's dedication to advancing its foreign policy agenda, advocating for SIDS, and creating avenues for sustainable growth through international collaboration.

The delegation comprised Senator Shackell Bobb, Permanent Secretary in the Office of the Prime Minister, Ms. Angie Jackson and Budget Analyst; Mr. Anson Latchman.

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