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CONCLUSION OF THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS & FOREIGN TRADE ANNUAL ESSAY

WRITING COMPETITION

SAINT VINCENT AND THE GRENADINES, July 12, 2024 – The Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Foreign Trade successfully concluded its Annual Essay Writing Competition with an Awards and Prize-Giving ceremony on Thursday, July 11, 2024.

This year's competition featured 38 participants from the primary, secondary, and tertiary educational institutions across Saint Vincent and the Grenadines. The competition was held under the theme: "Building Bridges: Unity, Language, and Diplomacy in a Globalised world", where each essay reflected insight, creativity, and understanding of the TOPICS explored. Students aged 9-13 years participated in the Envoys category while students aged 14-18 years participated in the Ambassadors category.

Envoys Category: 9- 13 years:

- 1st Place - Taj Henry, Sugar Mill Academy, Certificate of Distinction
- 2nd Place - Isai Amir Sam, St. Mary's Roman Catholic School, Certificate of Merit
- 3rd Place - Lendre Pemberton, Biabou Methodist School, Certificate of Merit
- 4th Place - Nya Culzac, St. Vincent Girls' High School, Certificate of Merit
- 5th Place - Kaela Bobb, St. Vincent Girls' High School, Certificate of Merit
- 5th Place - Alexandria Samuel, Kingstown Preparatory School, Certificate of Merit

Ambassadors Category: 14-18 years:

- 1st Place - Christi Williams, St. Vincent Girls' High School, Certificate of Merit
- 2nd Place - Shenea Stephens, St. Vincent Girls' High School, Certificate of Merit
- 3rd Place - Christel Sutherland, St. Vincent Girls' High School, Certificate of Merit
- 3rd Place - Bradley J. Alexander, St. Vincent and the Grenadines Community College, Certificate of Merit
- 5th Place - Alexis James, St. Vincent Girls' High School, Certificate of Commendation

The Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Foreign Trade in collaboration with Digicel SVG looks forward to continuing this tradition of celebrating student achievement and fostering a love for learning through future editions of the Annual Essay Writing Competition. The Ministry also congratulates the winners of this year's competition and participants who interacted with the respective topics for their personal and academic development.

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