



Message by
Dr. the Right Honourable Keith Mitchell
Prime Minister, Grenada, Carriacou and Petite Martinique
On the occasion of
GRENADA'S 46th ANNIVERSARY OF INDEPENDENCE
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Fellow Grenadians, as we celebrate the 46th anniversary of our country's independence, let us take a moment to acknowledge the many achievements that colour the landscape of our past. As we pause and reflect with gratitude, let us also acknowledge that the growth and development of our nation remains a work in progress. Therefore, as we look to the future with hope and optimism, let us remember that the kaleidoscope of colours that will paint the canvas of our future, depends largely on us embracing the opportunity to contribute to the ongoing process of nation-building.

The year 2020 represents a defining moment in our country's history. This critical juncture heralds the introduction of a non-partisan approach to development. The creation and implementation of this blueprint for Grenada's sustainable development is deeply reflective of the hopes, dreams, and aspirations of all of our people, and the strategic objectives outlined therein will guide the development of our nation over the next 15 years.

My friends, we have made enormous strides as an independent nation but there remains several core issues which we must address as we progress. Health care and education in particular, are critical pillars of nation-building that require a collective approach. It is highly commendable that traditionally, Grenadians living abroad have been crucial partners in both sectors. Today, as we prepare for the introduction of the National Health Insurance and the imminent launch of the E-book initiative, I see even more opportunities for members of the diaspora to continue that invaluable partnership with Government. Let us use the occasion of our 46th anniversary of independence to recommit ourselves to collective actions for the betterment of our beloved country.

Let us continue to walk in unity as we shape the future of this nation and safeguard the legacy that will be passed to future generations. Transforming the lives of our children and grand-children begins now; let us collectively embrace that responsibility so that 46 years from now, when they reflect on our actions, our solidarity and patriotism will be clearly visible as beacons to be emulated.

In the words of John Dickinson, "united we stand and divided we fall", therefore, let us unite for the common good of the further growth and development of Grenada, Carriacou and Petite Martinique.

May God bless our beautiful Grenada.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Keith Mitchell'.

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