

## **Grenada Supports New OAS Resolution to Eradicate Poverty in the Americas**

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The Permanent Council and the Inter-American Council for Integral Development (CIDI) of the Organization of American States (OAS) have unanimously adopted a pivotal resolution, co-sponsored by Grenada and other CARICOM member states' delegations, to eradicate poverty in the Americas. This landmark resolution emphasizes a transformative, collaborative approach to addressing poverty and inequality, launching an immediate Joint Working Group to develop a comprehensive Plan of Action.

In his remarks, [Ambassador Tarlie Francis](#), Grenada's Permanent Representative to the OAS, underscored the resolution as "a meaningful step towards achieving inclusive, sustainable development across the region." He praised the collaborative drafting process, particularly recognizing the leadership of Antigua and Barbuda's [Ambassador Sir Ronald Sanders](#).

The newly formed Joint Working Group will tackle issues of economic opportunity, healthcare, and education disparities, with a focus on vulnerable populations, including women, children, Indigenous Peoples, and people of African descent. Ambassador Francis highlighted poverty as a barrier to dignity and human rights, reinforcing Grenada's dedication to this cause.

[Ambassador Francis](#) also emphasized gender equality's role in poverty alleviation, aligning with the UN Sustainable Development Agenda's Goal 5, and called for action within 90 days to develop a strategic Plan of Action.

Grenada looks forward to contributing actively to this multilateral effort, engaging key Inter-American and UN agencies to strengthen resilience across the region.

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