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Statement by the Prime Minister of Barbados

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We need a Growth and Resilient Fund for CARICOM countries who are at the front line of these crises but who have not been responsible for triggering them. Anything less than that

My friends, we also support the Liquidity Sustainability Facility just referred to by Vera Songwe - but those are the things that we must require global leadership on, if we are to get out of this. Before COVID, we were on schedule to achieve the SDGs. These headwinds have now compromised our ability so to do. But we believe that sustainable development is our development and we can only do it with access to capital, a financial system and global institutions that are just, transparent, accountable and equitable and prepared to make decisions. This is what Barbados seeks. This is what CARICOM needs. And this is what

I'm obliged to you. Thank you.