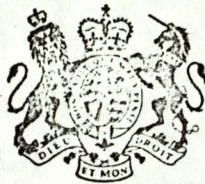


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THE PRIME MINISTER

23 October 1979

PRIME MINISTER'S
PERSONAL MESSAGE
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Dear Prime Minister,

On behalf of the British Government I am happy to send you and your Government and all the people of Saint Vincent and the Grenadines my best wishes as you become an independent sovereign nation and a member of the Commonwealth.

My colleagues and I look forward to a continuation of the close links and warm relationship which exists between our two countries.

Yours sincerely
Margaret Thatcher

The Hon. R. Milton Cato.