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Belize

PRIME MINISTER'S  
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Dear Prime Minister,

On behalf of the people and government of Belize, very many thanks for your message of congratulations on the independence of Belize, Monday, 21 September 1981.

We do appreciate the kind words of congratulations and encouragement and we shall endeavour to live up to our obligations as an independent country in preserving and promoting in our region peace, stability and prosperity.

In our statement on Independence Day, I declared Belize's place in the international community:

"As we become a member of world communities, we hear the question asked - What is Belize and its people, and how will they fit among you?

"In reply, Belize is a Caribbean and Central American nation, which works and lives a revolution that is peaceful, constructive, new, progressive and Belizean. It is our own with all our national attributes.

"Belize is a people with all the attributes of nationhood, having one flag, one government, one constitution. Our mind imbues the democratic process. Our hand works the mixed economy. Our heart beats with social justice, and our soul cherishes treasures of the spirit."

May we be accepted by you and together work to help bring peace, stability and prosperity to our region and to wider circles of our planet earth.

With kindest regards and best wishes

Sincerely

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