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Despite our vulnerability to external economic shocks and our fragile land and marine ecosystems, that continue to be ravaged by the impacts of climate change, Saint Lucia continues to be solutions focused. Small Island Developing States have provided the international community with a new ten year action plan, in the Antigua and Barbuda Agenda for SIDS; which provides an action oriented blueprint to meet the global ambition of building more resilient economies and fostering prosperous and sustainable SIDS societies; because the time has come.

In our interdependent world, no country can solve global issues alone. The time has come for all partners to consider ways in which the benefits and burdens of a globalized world can be more fairly shared across countries and populations.

The time has come for us to truly reinvent not only the structures, but also