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THE ASSISTANT SECRETARY GENERAL

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Honourable Prime Minister:

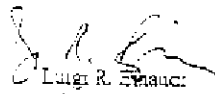
I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of October 20, 2003, requesting the presence of an Organization of American States (OAS) Electoral Observation Mission for the General Election which will be conducted on November 27, 2003.

It is my pleasure to advise that, contingent upon receiving sufficient external resources, the OAS will send a team of observers to the upcoming elections. The Unit for the Promotion of Democracy (UPD) will plan and organize the specific details, taking careful account of all the matters raised in your letter of invitation. Prior to the deployment of observers, the OAS will suggest for review by the Government and, if appropriate, the Parliamentary Elections Commission, the legal agreements required for all such electoral observation missions. Consistent with the policies and procedures of the OAS, the mission will observe the electoral process, producing such reports as may be necessary or required and the appropriate authorities in Grenada will certify the results of the elections. As was the case in 1999, the mission will also make recommendations, based on its observation, for the further strengthening of the electoral process in Grenada.

I very much appreciate, Prime Minister, your kind words regarding the continuing interest of the Secretary General and of the undersigned in the consolidation of democracy in Grenada. I regret that previous commitments will prevent us from participating personally in the electoral observation mission.

Please be assured that as decisions regarding the composition of the mission are taken, you will be fully consulted.

Please accept Honourable Prime Minister, the assurances of my highest consideration.


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