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Honourable Prime Minister, distinguished visitors, guests and friends, thanks for joining us on this important occasion.

Renewable energy has the potential to transform Caribbean economies by freeing us of the need to import fossil fuels, and creating a new dynamic productive sector, with jobs and income for our people.

We have made a good start in this direction, and over the next two days we will have the opportunity to exchange ideas with others who have made the commitment to renewables. We look forward to it.

Our especial thanks to those who have joined us from overseas. We are deeply appreciative of your willingness to share your experience, passion and expertise. Your support will speed us on our way, as we look to our sustainable future.

Thank you.