

**PRESS RELEASE**

**Letter to the President of the Caribbean Community (CARICOM)  
in Response to his invitation to a meeting on the Situation in Haiti in Jamaica from March 5-6, 2024**

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GOVERNMENT OF THE CARIBBEAN COMMUNITY (CARICOM)

Port-au-Prince, March 3th, 2024

Mister President,

The Montana Agreement Monitoring Office (BSA) has received your invitation to the meeting of Haitian stakeholders on March 5 and 6, 2024 in Jamaica and thanks you.

During three years, the Montana Agreement, whose establishment was coordinated by the *Commission for the Search for a Haitian Solution to the Crisis*, worked tirelessly with Haitian and international partners to find a consensual and peaceful solution in order to prevent Haiti from sinking into this predictable chaos and this exacerbated violence. Unfortunately, we are there today.

This is due not to a lack of consensus between Haitian actors, as affirmed in the CARICOM declaration, but rather to the obstinacy of powerful sectors in the international community who want to compel all the living forces of the nation to associate with an illegitimate, illegal and dictatorial power, decried by all sectors of the society. The result of this governance of the last 30 months is a macabre record of rapes, kidnappings, displaced populations, illicit trafficking, corruption and impunity, which has repeatedly been the subject of reports by the Secretary General of the United Nations.

The initial narrative of the Montana Agreement on the need for the solution to be a Haitian one was distorted by international actors determined to impose on the Haitian parties cohabitation with those who precipitated the decline of the Republic. To reduce the notion of consensus to maintaining Doctor Ariel Henri at the head of the state is, to say the least, unacceptable.

Ignoring the responsibility of the current authorities in the worsening of the crisis, you invite us to this meeting presenting an agenda which does not even envisage the eventuality of replacing the de facto Prime Minister, requested by practically all Haitian sectors, the main irritant which hinders any serious perspective of unblocking the crisis.

After so many lies from the ruling coalition and repeated non-compliance with its commitments, how can the population be asked to place its trust in this same team to organize credible and democratic elections which would allow Haiti to adhere sustainably in an era of political stability?

The Montana Agreement Monitoring Office remains convinced that the only way out of this deep crisis lies in a mechanism that mobilizes social forces to rid the Republic of these usurpers in office and establishes a national rescue government with a clear roadmap and a precise timetable. That's what it's about, Saving the Nation!

In this regard, the BSA sends you the document of the Montana Agreement which was published since October 2023 and which presents the mechanism to replace the de facto government. This document could serve as a basis to build the desired consensus.

The BSA continues its consultation with other organized actors and figures from civil society, and remains available to continue discussions with CARICOM on resolving the crisis.

The BSA requests you to receive, Mr. President, its distinguished regards.

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