SIGNING OF FRAMEWORK COOPERATION AGREEMENT BETWEEN UNFPA AND THE CARIBBEAN DEVELOPMENT BANK (CDB)

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"CDB and UN Agencies partnering to achieve SDGs in the Caribbean"

On behalf of UNFPA, United Nations Population Fund, I am honoured to sign this Framework Cooperation Agreement this morning.

The signing of this agreement with the Caribbean Development Bank will open opportunities for a wide collaboration efforts, towards the systematic reduction of poverty in the Caribbean through social and economic development.

UNFPA looks forward to sharing our technical expertise and evidence-based support, to ensure that every woman, adolescent and youth in the Caribbean can realize their full potential and contribute to economic and social transformation.

UNFPA is committed in contributing to develop capacity in data collection and analysis, to help governments track and analyze population trends in areas such as fertility, mortality, migration and ageing.

UNFPA's International Conference on Population and Development (ICPD) mandate is universal and intersects with all aspects of sustainable development, as re-affirmed in the aspirational 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development. We are pleased to join with our partners in development to support the countries that we serve in the Caribbean, in achieving their development priorities.

Thank you.