

**ECOSOC Ad Hoc Advisory Group on Haiti**  
**Statement Following the Death of President Jovenel Moïse**  
**7 July 2021**

The Ad Hoc Advisory Group on Haiti of the Economic and Social Council<sup>1</sup> condemns in the strongest possible terms the assassination of President Jovenel Moïse on 7 July 2021. The Group expresses its sincere condolences to the Moïse family and the people of Haiti. The Group recalls with appreciation the opportunity it had to engage constructively with President Moïse during its previous visits to Haiti.

During this uncertain time, the Group calls on all actors of Haitian society to remain calm in order to avoid an escalation of violence. All actors in Haitian public life must unite in order to fight against the ongoing violence in Haiti so that all can freely enjoy their fundamental rights, including their right to life and security.

A thorough investigation of today's events must take place in order to ensure accountability and to end the cycle of impunity. We also call on all development partners to continue to support the people of Haiti at this critical juncture.

The Advisory Group continues to reiterate the need for all sectors of the population, including political parties, the private sector, civil society, women's groups and religious leaders, to have a genuine dialogue among Haitians and to work constructively to address the current political crisis. Peace is indispensable for the sustainable development that the people of Haiti need.

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<sup>1</sup> The Ad Hoc Advisory Group on Haiti is composed of the Permanent Representatives of Canada (Chair), Argentina, Benin, Bahamas, Belize, Brazil, Chile, Colombia, the Dominican Republic, El Salvador, France, Haiti, Mexico, Peru, Spain, Trinidad and Tobago, the United States of America and Uruguay.