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To All Media, United Nations Member States, and Civil Society Organizations

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Via: U.S. Mission to the United Nations
Cc: Friends of the President, Members of the UN Security Council
Caricom, Organization of American States

Dear President Trump,

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If there was ever a question about where to find the Haitians who will "MAKE HAITI GREAT AGAIN", we say to you: we are bringing them back into the fold. We carry this message wherever we go, uniting our community around a shared vision to rescue our country from international 'foster care' and set it on a course toward an economic freedom it has not seen in 230 years of independence.

As a community, we appreciate your passion and love for family and country, even when we may not see eye to eye on every issue.

It is with that same sense of duty and conviction that I penned a letter to UN Secretary-General António Guterres last week. In it, I informed him that we are leading a civil society movement invoking the Responsibility to Protect (R2P) to demand our country back. R2P dictates that when national authorities and international institutions fail so completely at their mandate, it becomes incumbent upon civil society and national stakeholders to step up and determine the fate of our country.

Next week, we will unveil our long-awaited plan: The Haiti Agenda 2030 (Ayiti Agenda 2030). While some in my community view the timing with skepticism—or even misinterpret it as enabling the criminal forces destabilizing the country—the reality is that my position at UNA-Haiti has always been rooted in a single core principle: sovereignty above all else.

Thirty years ago, when many in our community were begging then-President Clinton to send troops to Haiti at all costs to restore democracy, I stood my ground. As a 23-year-old recent graduate of an

American university, Pratt Institute, working for the Haitian government, I publicly voiced my opposition to the embargo that my own countrymen were requesting. My conviction on national sovereignty has never wavered.

What many of the Haitian people do not yet realize is that the plan we are unveiling next week is centered entirely on them, their mobilization, and their resources. As stated in our manifesto, the only way to fix the country is a leadership that unites—from the people in the streets to business leaders in suits—so long as all pledge to work for the country. Bringing all criminals to justice must encompass every wrongdoer, not just gangs, and it must occur simultaneously with immediate relief and job creation.

Under this plan, the time has come for the United Nations to wrap up its mission in Haiti and allow external figures like President Bukele to champion their causes elsewhere. More urgently and immediately, our plan calls for a community-led, massive humanitarian intervention this holiday season to appease the hunger facing our people in Haiti, including close members of my own family caught behind the poverty line.

The situation in Haiti has gotten so bad that it is no longer a question of repair, but of rescue and a complete change of direction. Never in our history has our society been in such disarray while facing a collapsed state. Constitutional order is gone, no one seems to be in charge, and law and order are virtually non-existent. As a result, gang violence and vigilantes surge, extracting every modicum of life from the country. It is hell on earth for the population at large, who must resort to begging simply to survive day-to-day.

By now, I am sure we can all agree that our beloved homeland has become a no man's land ("Ayiti nou an pa yon peyi ankò, men se yon kote")—our Haiti is a country no more, but a place. It is deeply painful that we cannot even return home during family emergencies or funerals.

Mr. President, I have always appreciated the way you tell it like it is, as a man. At UNA-Haiti, we share that same directness—we represent that distinct breed of Haitians you have yet to encounter.

All the best to you and your family, and may God be with you.

Respectfully,

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