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## **SVG RECEIVES DONATION OF SPORTING EQUIPMENT**

**Belfast, NORTHERN IRELAND:** Following discussions with the H.E. Mr Cenio E. Lewis, High Commissioner for St. Vincent and the Grenadines (SVG) in London, the Hon. Consul for SVG in Northern Ireland, Dr Christopher Stange presented a selection of new cricket and football equipment to the High Commissioner. It will be shipped back to Kingstown for disbursement by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Commerce and Trade.

Through the establishment of an SVG Consulate in Northern Ireland and the combined efforts involving Podium 4 Sport and the Irish Football Association (IFA), the equipment was acquired.

The new equipment has been marked for Youths aged 14-17 in SVG, as through the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and the Ministry of Youth and Sport there is a high demand and need for these individuals, particularly in the rural areas.

Dr Christopher Stange further commented: "It is wonderful to engage local companies in Northern Ireland through sport and further develop our international relations. I trust this will be the beginning of a long-term relationship that will provide future ongoing benefits to SVG. It is also befitting that through the current government administration's commitment towards an educational and wellness revolution, the vital link sport and community cohesion plays.



Left to Right: H.E. Mr Cenio Lewis, High Commissioner for St Vincent and the Grenadines (SVG) in London, Dr Ralph Gonsalves, Prime Minister of SVG, Dr Christopher Stange, Hon. Consul for SVG in Northern Ireland

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