

Press Releases: On the Passing of Vanuatu's President Lonsdale

Press Statement
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On behalf of the Government of the United States, I want to convey my personal condolences to President Lonsdale's family and the people of Vanuatu on the passing of Womtelo Reverend President Lonsdale.

President Lonsdale served your country and people admirably, and leaves a legacy of strong, just leadership. His background as an Anglican priest clearly guided his decisions, and his firm action to ensure a more corruption-free society in Vanuatu stands as a shining example for the rest of the world.

In this time of national mourning, please accept our deepest sympathy and reassurances that the United States stands with Vanuatu as an enduring friend and partner.

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