<u>Press Releases: Sint Maarten's</u> <u>Constitution Day</u>

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On behalf of the Government of the United States, I congratulate the people of Sint Maarten on Constitution Day.

This past year, Sint Maarten epitomized strength and resilience. Following the devastation of Hurricanes Irma and Maria in 2017, the people of Sint Maarten rebuilt a nation, undertaking recovery and restoration efforts with dedication and bravery. The United States stood with you then, and we continue to stand with you now as we work together to foster security and prosperity for all of our citizens.

Today, we reflect on your extraordinary accomplishments during eight years of sovereignty. As you celebrate Constitution Day, I extend my best wishes for peace and happiness in the year ahead.

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