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We, the Ministers and Heads of Delegation of the Members of the Association of Caribbean States, participants in the Nineteenth Meeting of the Ministerial Council held in Port of Spain, Republic of Trinidad and Tobago, February 14, 2013:

Recalling the disastrous effects resulting from the natural phenomenon that have impacted the member states of Saint Lucia, Saint Vincent and the Grenadines and Dominica which included the loss of human life; damage to the economies, agriculture and infrastructure;

Conscious that one of the purposes of the Association of Caribbean States is the development and promotion of cooperation among its members, particularly towards those relatively less developed and particularly in circumstances of disasters;

Recognising the initiatives that have been undertaken at both national and international levels, with a view to providing assistance;

Manifest our commitment to:

1. Support the peoples and the governments affected by this phenomenon in these tragic circumstances;
2. Urge all Governments, United Nations Agencies, Intergovernmental Organisations, the Business Sector; Non-Governmental Organisations and society in general to reaffirm the commitment to find permanent solutions to the factors which cause these natural disasters.