17TH V20 MINISTERIAL DIALOGUE:
DEVELOPMENT AND DELIVERY IN A MULTIPOLAR WORLD

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Prime Minister Mottley, Excellencies, it is an honor to support the CVF-V20 through philanthropy with humility and deep respect for your leadership.

Let me focus on the Super El Niño. We face potentially one of the strongest events on record. Against a hotter baseline, drought, floods, crop losses, and extreme heat threaten communities and stretched national budgets. The Lifeline Fund, pre-arranged finance, and the V2V Compact can enable actions before losses mount. We have heard your call to philanthropy and take it seriously.

Timely finance must be matched by readiness. Hospitals prepare for heat, water utilities prepare for drought, and local organizations reach those most easily overlooked. Philanthropy can help. During the Bangkok Climate Action Week, Sequoia has been working with fellow funders and partners to pool flexible funding for local partners responding to El Niño in Asia. We welcome others to join.

We also support journalist training linking extreme heat and El Niño reporting with resiliency and emission reduction. Our long-term commitment continues.

Clean energy can reduce exposure to volatile fossil fuel imports. Cutting methane and other super pollutants can help put a brake on the near-term warming.

Excellencies, turning early warning into early action requires us to prepare together. Sequoia and other funders in the philanthropy world stand ready to work with you.

Thank you.

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