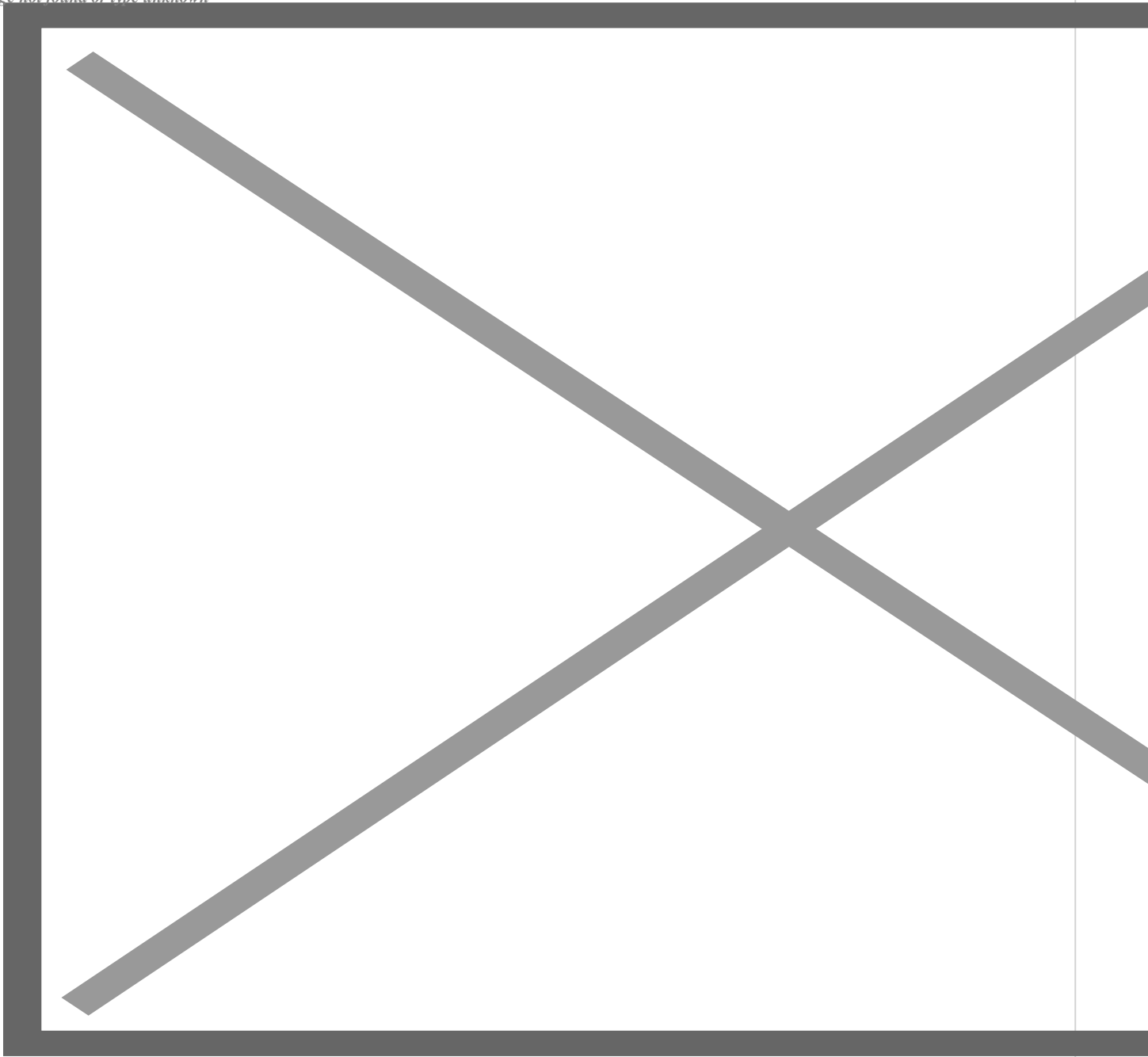


Saint Kitts and Nevis calls for peace and development

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United Nations, September 28 (RHC)-- The Prime Minister of Saint Kitts and Nevis, Terrance Drew, in the context of the 79th session of the United Nations, delivered his speech on behalf of all island states suffering from rising sea levels.

Prime Minister Drew also referred to the need for "increased diplomatic virtues" and stated that we need "a humanity anchored in decency, equity and inclusion."

"We must not resign ourselves to the idea that the children of Haiti, Congo, Sudan and Palestine, deserve less rights than the freedoms that we enjoy. We are all a people, a world. We cannot have peace without justice and there can be no justice without just and solid equality."

On the same note, the prime minister reiterated the call of the Caribbean Community (CARICOM) for an unconditional ceasefire in Gaza to end the suffering. He also recalled Haiti as a beacon of resilience and love, and supported the work of the National Transitional Council in trying to create an environment conducive to a political solution that involves all.

Likewise, the prime minister of Saint Kitts and Nevis sent a message to the Cuban people and said that Washington's blockade "is not fair and remains a stain on our collective conscience." He called for an immediate end of the unjust blockade against Cuba and advocated its removal from the State Department's list, which includes nations that allegedly sponsor terrorism.

"Cuba has been a friend of the Caribbean for a long time. Its doctors and teachers are an example of genuine philanthropy," said Terrance Drew.

"Today we are stumbling on the edge of a precipice, to return to a world in which peace is in check, where weapons are romanticized and an exaltation of violence is carried out in search of absolute power."

Terrance Drew also said that "in the Caribbean our reality of rising sea levels that kills our hopes, waves of unbearable heat that burns and makes our dreams burn, we pray for rains and receive floods that destroy our homes."

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