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The Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Immigration of the Commonwealth of The Bahamas presents its compliments to the Embassy of the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela and has the honour to request that the following message from the Minister of Foreign Affairs and Immigration of the Commonwealth of The Bahamas, the Honourable Frederick A. Mitchell, MP, be conveyed to the Honourable Elias Jaua Milano, Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela.

The message is as follows:

"Dear Minister,

"The Government and the People of the Commonwealth of The Bahamas are deeply saddened to learn of the death of President Hugo Chávez, President of the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela.

The Bahamas mourns the loss of an outstanding leader not only of the Venezuelan People but also of the entire Latin American and Caribbean Community.

On behalf of the Government and the People of the Commonwealth of The Bahamas, I extend to you, Sir, and to the Government and People of the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela, as well as to the bereaved family, sincere condolences and heart-felt sympathies.

Please be assured of our thoughts and prayers during this difficult period.

Frederick Mitchell

Minister of Foreign Affairs and Immigration

Commonwealth of The Bahamas"

The Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Immigration of the Commonwealth of The Bahamas avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the Embassy of the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela the assurances of its highest consideration.

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