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## STATEMENT BY HON. ROOSEVELT SKERRIT

Dominica, on Tuesday, August 17, 2021 confirmed its first COVID-19 related death, a 46-year-old female.

I am deeply sorry for her loss.

My family and I offer deepest condolences to her family and close friends as they come to terms with this deep and shocking loss. Our nation grieves with you.

I pledge my support, and that of the Government and People of Dominica, to the family during their time of bereavement and wish them God's comfort and strength during this difficult period.

The passing of the individual presents an opportunity for national reflection and reminds us of the need to practice all safety protocols recommended by health officials to protect ourselves and the most vulnerable and at-risk among us. We must all work together to prevent further spread of this disease to safeguard the collective health of our nation.

May God bless the bereaved family.

May God bless Dominica.