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Your Excellency,

Condolence Message

I learnt of the second explosion in the Pike River Coal Mine yesterday which turned hope into an uncalled for disaster for the families, relatives and friends of the miners who were underground in the mine. I am very sorry for this untimely and unexpected turn of events which is said to be a foregone conclusion that all miners underground would not have survived the second explosion.

On behalf of the people of Solomon Islands, I and Lady Grace do regret very much this unhappy event that negatively affects the lives of the families, relatives and friends of the dead miners and the people of New Zealand as a whole.

Our hearts go out to the bereaving families, relatives and friends of those men whose lives had been lost in their efforts to serve their families and New Zealand and indirectly Solomon Islands. They were taxpayers whose contribution with others have reached the shores of Solomon Islands in the form of New Zealand Aid.

Please accept our heart-felt condolence!

Yours sincerely,

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