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PRIME MINISTER DESCRIBES GRENADIAN INVENTOR AS "A GREAT GRENADIAN,"

ST. GEORGE'S, GRENADA; WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 1, 2010 – "A great Grenadian." That's the description Prime Minister, Hon. Tillman Thomas gave to Mr. Lennon Mapson, a Grenadian inventor and entrepreneur, who on Tuesday launch a new brand of juices using local fruits.

The Prime Minister told the launch ceremony at the company's headquarters in Mt. Parnassus, Mapson is an inspiration to all Grenadians who are interested in the development of their country.

"I am proud to be associated with this venture, because it is fully Grenadian. All Grenada should be proud of you and I hope you will be able to create other machinery that will give opportunities for more Grenadian products to be on our supermarket shelves," the Prime Minister told Mr. Mapson.

The Grenadian leader used the opportunity to challenge students and young people generally, to find ways to utilize technology and their education to expand the prospects for adding value to the island's raw material.

He pointed to the success of Grenada's chocolate, manufactured in Hermitage, St. Patrick's, which last week was named one of the 10 top chocolates in the world by a leading British publication and the global reach of Noelville's Nutmed products as examples of what can be achieved if the talents and creativity of "our people are properly harnessed".

"Grenada already has a name for providing high quality products to the world, so we must build on that foundation and move our country forward, together," he said, adding that his administration will give Grenada's producers "every support" in supporting the manufacturing and export potential.

The Prime Minister and invitees to the launch of Nature Cool Products were treated to a demonstration of the equipment invented by Mr. Mapson, for the pulping of local fruits. They were also given a taste of the final products to be supplied to the local market.

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