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**Dr. Deborah Brosnan Named to the Government of Antigua and Barbuda  
Delegation for U.N. Climate Action Summit and General Assembly Meetings  
in New York**

WASHINGTON, D.C. – Dr. Deborah Brosnan – President of Deborah Brosnan and Associates – will attend the United Nations Climate Action Summit and General Assembly meetings in New York City next week as a scientific advisor on the Government of Antigua and Barbuda delegation.

“I’m honored to attend,” said Dr. Brosnan. “Prime Minister Gaston Browne’s leadership and the resilience shown by the communities on Antigua and on Barbuda are lessons for us all. Small Island Nations, especially those in hurricane zones, face disproportionate challenges. Antigua and Barbuda are focusing on science-based resiliency, and their efforts can serve as a model for nations globally. Time is running out, and we have a lot of work to do to sustain people and the planet. Island nations need the world’s attention and support.”

The United Nations General Assembly officially commences on Tuesday, September 24<sup>th</sup>, in New York City. World leaders and diplomats from 193 nations, plus the Holy See and Palestine, will come together to try and address a range of pressing issues. Climate change is the top agenda item this year with the highly-anticipated UN Climate Summit scheduled for Monday, September 23<sup>rd</sup>. UN Secretary General António Guterres will chair the Summit, which seeks to boost global momentum to implement the 2016 Paris Agreement and the Sustainable Development Goals.

Dr. Brosnan is a leading force in the field of environmental science and resilience and has a distinguished career in the private sector and academia. Her academic career includes professorships and fellowships at several notable institutions, including Virginia Tech, U.C. Davis, Stanford University, and the Smithsonian Institution. As an expert in the fields of environment and disaster risk-reduction, she has worked in the Caribbean Islands for over 25 years.

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