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GOVERNMENT DEVELOPMENT BANK FOR PUERTO RICO STATEMENT IN RESPONSE TO STATEMENTS FROM ADVISORS TO THE AD HOC GROUP OF BONDHOLDERS

San Juan, P.R. – Today, Melba Acosta Febo, President of the Government Development Bank for Puerto Rico, issued the following statement in response to statements made by advisors to the Ad Hoc Group of Bondholders:

"As we have said for the past nine months, we are ready and willing to discuss potential solutions that would address the Commonwealth's fiscal crisis in a sustainable and comprehensive fashion. That remains true today and is demonstrated by the multiple offers that the Commonwealth has made to its creditors and our ongoing discussions with their advisors. What is not true is the assertion from any bondholder that we have rebuffed their efforts to engage in negotiations or that there are financing offers at the ready that would address our current circumstances for the long-term. To be clear: We have not received an actionable, binding financing commitment from anyone, and we have received no offers that would lead Puerto Rico towards a stable and prosperous economy for years to come. If this were the case, the bondholders advisors would have likely mentioned these when we met with them two weeks ago to present our second consensual restructuring proposal, which took into account the concerns of our creditors, including GO holders. The 'proposals' that the advisors to our GO holders speak of are just a public relations stunt as they attempt to mislead the public and distract leaders in Congress from the real work at hand. We have serious matters to solve and instead of spinning tales in order to kick the can down the road, we need people to get serious about solving them now."

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