

## UN Finance Ministers Meeting on Financing for Development 8<sup>th</sup> September

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COVID-19 in the general population — the lack of revenue from our stalled tourism sector and other export industries has meant we cannot meet operational and capital expenditures without borrowing more than usual.

This, of course, has sent our debt-to-GDP ratio soaring. While there is a pool of financing available to us, there is a limitation on what is actually affordableBTF4t±