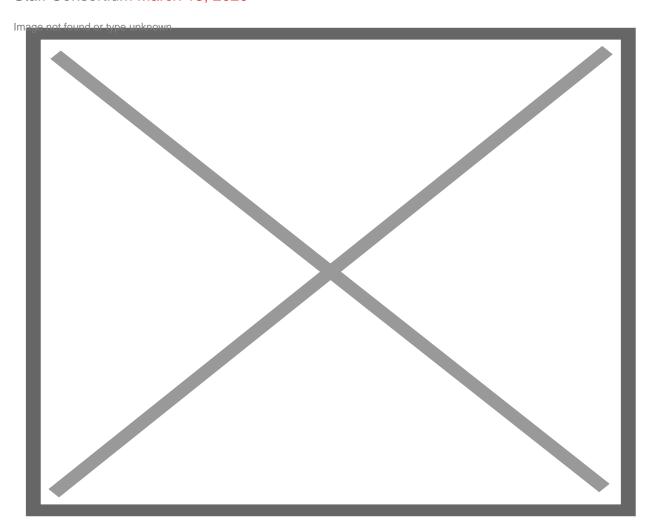logo not found or type unknown

St. Lucia Prime Minister Quarantines Himself After Feeling Sick, Takes Coronavirus Test

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St. Lucia Prime Minister Allen Chastanet By. CARICOM

ST. LUCIA — St. Lucia Prime Minister Allen Chastanet as of Tuesday morning was not feeling well, and in accordance with the established protocols of the island went into self-quarantine, the government of St. Lucia has announced.

Mr. Chastanet immediately stayed away from all of his meetings and engagements, the government said.

In keeping with the protocols as advised by the country's chief medical officer, the prime minister has been tested for COVID-19 and awaits the results.

St. Lucia on Saturday recorded its second case of the coronavirus. The patient is a 53-year-old male with an active travel history with France being his last port of departure, the government made known.

The government revealed that the patient arrived in St. Lucia on Wednesday, March 11 in the company of colleagues. He entered the health care system on Friday and based on the patient's travel history and symptoms, health professionals suspected COVID-19.

The patient was placed in isolation at a medical facility and a sample was collected on the same day and sent to the Caribbean Public Health Agency (CARPHA), where laboratory tests confirmed a positive result. The patient and his care team have been informed of the results.