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### TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO COMMENDED BY PERU ON ITS ROLE TO REINFORCE DEMOCRACY

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Trinidad and Tobago was commended for its role in the reinforcement of democracy in Latin America by His Excellency Luis Rodomiro Hernández Ortiz, newly appointed Ambassador of the Republic of Peru to Trinidad and Tobago. His Excellency also highlighted Peru's readiness to work with Trinidad and Tobago in this effort at the multilateral level.

These sentiments were expressed to Senator the Honourable Dennis Moses, Minister of Foreign and CARICOM Affairs during a Courtesy Call on 23<sup>rd</sup> May, 2017 at the Ministry. The Courtesy Call on Minister Moses preceded Ambassador Hernández Ortiz presentation of his Letters of Credence to the President of the Republic of Trinidad and Tobago.

During the meeting, Minister Moses indicated that Trinidad and Tobago appreciated the resident presence of Peru, which is a demonstration of the commitment to pursue joint efforts and to facilitate cooperation between the two countries. He further highlighted that Trinidad and Tobago and Peru shared commonalities, upon which bilateral initiatives could be advanced for the mutual benefit of the peoples of both countries.

With respect to the strengthening of bilateral relations, Ambassador Hernández Ortiz commended his predecessor for setting a solid foundation that permitted him to continue in a seamless fashion. He further stated that he hoped that his extensive experience as a diplomat would assist in advancing mutually beneficial bilateral cooperation.

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The meeting ended cordially with both parties looking forward to further discussions.



Senator the Honourable Dennis Moses, Ministry of Foreign and CARICOM Affairs greets His Excellency Luis Rodomiro Hernández Ortiz, newly appointed Ambassador of the Republic of Peru to the Republic of Trinidad and Tobago.

**Ministry of Foreign and CARICOM Affairs**