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## MEDIA RELEASE

## **Minister Olivierre Delivers Presentation at OLADE & CELAC Meetings**

The Honourable Nicole Olivierre, Minister of Energy and Energy Industries, travelled to Tarija in the Plurinational State of Bolivia to participate in several meetings hosted by the Latin American Energy Organization (OLADE) and the Community of Latin American and Caribbean States (CELAC) over the period  $28^{th} - 30^{th}$  October 2015.

On the 29<sup>th</sup> October 2015, at the Los Parrales Hotel in Tarija, Bolivia, Minister Olivierre participated at a forum hosted by the Inter-development Bank (IDB) with support from OLADE. The discussions focused on the theme Sustainable Energy for All (SE4ALL) and the Honourable Minister presented a paper entitled "The New Sustainable Development Objectives (Agenda 2030)" during the Regional Energy Policy Dialogue. In her presentation, Minister Olivierre highlighted this country's thrust towards the use of renewable energy forms and identified some of our challenges. A copy of her speech is located on the Ministry website: www.energy.gov.tt

The following day, Minister Olivierre, accompanied by a three-member team from the Ministry of Energy and Energy Industries, attended the main event, the XLV Meeting of Ministers of OLADE held at the same location in Tarija, Bolivia. The meeting was opened with an address by His Excellency Evo Morales, President of the Plurinational State of Bolivia. Attendees were also welcomed by Luis Alberto Sanchez, the Honourable Minister of Hydrocarbons and Energy, Bolivia. The delegates' discussions during the Ministerial Meeting culminated in the approval of a Ministerial Declaration on Funding for Sustainable Energy Development. Later that afternoon, the Honourable Minister participated in the CELAC Meeting of Ministers of Energy. After several discussions, the matters were deferred to facilitate more time for member states to apprise themselves of the documents and for a ratification of the agenda.

## Photo:



Caption:

Energy Minister Nicole Olivierre (L) presents a token to the Bolivian President Evo Morales at the OLADE Meetings in Bolivia

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