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## Ministry of Energy and Energy Industries (MEEI) Hosts Meeting with officials from the Ministry of the People's Power for Petroleum, Venezuela.

A meeting of the Joint Steering Committee and the Special Multi-Disciplinary Committee of the Republic of Trinidad and Tobago and the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela for the unitization of cross-border hydrocarbon reservoirs was held in Port-of-Spain, Trinidad at the office of the Ministry of Energy and Energy Industries during the period Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> to Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> November 2017.

The Trinidad and Tobago delegation comprised officials of the Ministry of Energy and Energy Industries, the Ministry of Foreign and Caricom Affairs and the Ministry of the Attorney General and Legal Affairs and was led by Permanent Secretary, Mr Selwyn Lashley, who was Trinidad and Tobago's Co-Chairman for the meeting. The Venezuelan delegation was led by Mr. Douglas Sosa, Vice Minister of Gas – Ministry of the People's Power for Petroleum who was Venezuela's Co-Chairman of the meeting and included Mr. Ángel González, Vice Minister of Hydrocarbons - Ministry of the People's Power for Petroleum.

Matters on the agenda included a detailed review of the draft Loran- Manatee Unitisation and Unit Operating Agreement; and updates on the progress of the development of the Dragon Field, the Manakin-Cocuina development and studies being conducted by the Kapok-Dorado Joint Reservoir Technical Working Group.

Ministers Franklin Khan and Stuart Young paid a courtesy visit and re-iterated Trinidad and Tobago's firm commitment to progressing and deepening technical collaboration between the two countries in a number of areas including Reservoir Unitization; Joint Field Exploration and Development; the sharing of Infrastructure for Hydrocarbon production and monetization; and coordinated environmental protection and emergency response.



Caption: (L-R) Angel Gonzalez, Vice Minister of Hydrocarbons, Ministry of the People's Power for Petroleum - Venezuela, Senator the Honourable Franklin Khan, Minister of Energy and Energy Industries – Trinidad and Tobago, Douglas Sosa, Vice Minister of Gas, Ministry of the People's Power for Petroleum – Venezuela and Senator the Honourable Stuart Young, Minister in the Office of the Attorney General, following the Joint Steering Committee and Special Multi-Disciplinary Committee meetings

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