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GOVERNMENT BEGINS NEGOTIATIONS WITH ENERGY COMPANIES

The Empowered Team appointed by Government to engage the energy companies BP and Shell on energy related issues commenced its deliberations today Wednesday 20th 2018. The first of the meetings is with BPTT and this would be followed by Shell on Friday 22nd 2018.

The empowered negotiating team is led by Senator the Honourable Franklin Khan, Minister of Energy and Energy Industries and include Honourable Stuart Young, Minister of Communication, Minister in the Ministry of the Attorney General and Legal Affairs and Minister in the Office of the Prime Minister, Mr. Wendell Mottley, Chairman Energy Task Force, Mr. Mark Loquan President, NGC, Mr. Richard Beckles Legal Consultant, Mr. Vishnu Dhanpaul. Permanent Secretary, Ministry of Finance, Mr. Richard Jeremie and Mr. Leroy Mayers Advisers to the Ministry of Energy and Energy Industries. The Government's team also included representatives of Poten & Partners and White and Case LLP.

These meetings are a follow up to the discussions held in London in April 2018 by a Team led by Honourable the Prime Minister with the energy companies, BP and Shell. The discussions represented a continuation of the engagement between the Government and the companies on energy related issues.

Arising from these discussions the Prime Minister agreed with the energy companies to the establishment of empowered negotiating teams to meet at the earliest date to commence discussions on these issues and their finalization with an agreed timeframe.

A series of meetings between the Government and Energy Companies empowered teams have been scheduled with a view to arriving at agreement on the energy related issues.

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