



Rowley: Energy talks with BP executives productive

AFTER inking a new energy deal with Shell on Wednesday, Prime Minister Dr Keith Rowley yesterday held energy talks with a high-level team of BP executives at the company's headquarters in London, England.

According to a media release from the Office of the Prime Minister, "The 90-minute meeting at

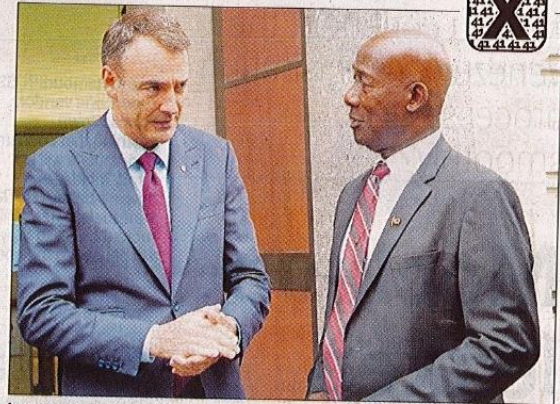
BP's head office at St James Square in London, UK, was informative and productive. The parties had a very frank and detailed conversation about BP's developmental plans for Trinidad and Tobago. The Prime Minister thanked BP for their cooperation with the Government of Trinidad and Tobago in the energy sector. There were discussions around BP's recent drilling programmes and the future of LNG production in Trinidad and Tobago. BP also provided an update on their short and medium-term exploration and production gas programmes."

The energy company updated

the Prime Minister and his delegation on the platform fabrication taking place for them at TOFCO's Yard in La Brea, it stated.

The release added, "The parties concluded the meeting by reaffirming their commitment to the growth of the energy sector as they scheduled the continuation of negotiations between the empowered teams which are expected to begin in the middle of June in furtherance of specific objectives relating to the restructuring of Atlantic LNG, acceleration of field investigation, exploration, production as well as discussions surrounding a large number of E&P licences."

The Prime Minister's delegation included Minister of Energy and Energy Industries Franklin Khan, Minister of National Security, Communications and Minister in the Office of the Prime Minis-



'INFORMATIVE': Prime Minister Dr Keith Rowley, right, listens to BP chief executive, upstream, Bernard Looney, at BP's head office at St James Square in London, UK, yesterday. —Photo courtesy Office of the Prime Minister

ter, Stuart Young, Minister in the Ministry of Finance, Alyson West, and president of the National Gas Company Mark Loquan.

The BP team was led by chief executive upstream Bernard Looney and included Global Upstream Regions executive at BP, William Lin, president of BPTT, Claire

Fitzpatrick, head of planning and commercial finance, Richard Eaton, and vice-president, corporate operations, Giselle Thompson.

The delegation will also hold talks with executives of EOG Resources and Shell's technical staff in Houston, Texas, USA, before returning to T&T.