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MINISTER YOUNG MEETS WITH BHP EXECUTIVES

The Minister of Energy and Energy Industries and Minister in the Office of the Prime Minister, the Honourable Stuart R. Young, MP along with Mrs. Penelope Bradshaw-Niles Permanent Secretary (A.g) and Mrs. Sandra Fraser Permanent Secretary (A.g) of the Ministry of Energy and Energy Industries; met with BHP executives today, Tuesday 12th October 2021 at the Ministry of Energy and Energy Industries' International Waterfront Complex Office.

The BHP team included Mr. Graham Salmond, Vice President North America and the Caribbean, BHP Petroleum; Dr. Sonia Scarselli, Vice President, Exploration and Appraisal, BHP Petroleum; Mr. Michael Stone, Country Manager of BHP Trinidad and Tobago and Dr. Carla Noel-Mendez, Manager, Corporate Affairs of BHP Trinidad and Tobago. The purpose of this meeting was to provide Minister Young with an update on BHP's business operations as it relates to pursuing integrated oil and gas development in Trinidad and Tobago.

Minister Young welcomed the BHP executives to Trinidad and Tobago and thanked them for their continued partnership. Discussions opened with the success of the Ruby Project and the implementation of production ahead of schedule despite navigating the COVID-19 pandemic.

BHP provided updates on the Ruby field and the adjacent Block 2C concerning the ongoing work being done and production. The parties also discussed the progress of the BHP Woodside acquisition, a matter that Minister Young has been monitoring closely as he continues to advocate for continued investment and interest in our country.

BHP has been operating in Trinidad and Tobago for 25 years and both parties agreed to continue to work together as they look forward to the advancement of these projects and sustainably growing business in Trinidad and Tobago.

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From left to right: Mr. Graham Salmond, Vice President North America and the Caribbean, BHP Petroleum; Mrs. Penelope Bradshaw-Niles, Permanent Secretary, Ministry of Energy and Energy Industries; The Minister of Energy and Energy Industries and Minister in the Office of the Prime Minister, the Honourable Stuart R. Young, MP; Mr. Michael Stone, Country Manager of BHP Trinidad and Tobago; Dr. Sonia Scarselli, Vice President, Exploration and Appraisal, BHP Petroleum and Mrs. Sandra Fraser, Permanent Secretary (A.g), Ministry of Energy and Energy Industries.