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Members of Parliament Attend the 7th Meeting of the Interparliamentary Commission on Human Rights in Mexico City

The Honourable Elvia Vega Samos, Minister of State in the Ministry of Human Development, Families, and Indigenous People's Affairs, and the Honourable Jorge Espat, Member for Cayo West, are attending the 7th Meeting of the Interparliamentary Commission on Human Rights of the Forum of Presidents of Legislative Powers of Central America, the Caribbean Basin and Mexico (FOPREL) that is being held in the Committee Room of the House of Representatives of Mexico, in Mexico City.

The two-day Regional Seminar commenced on 30th August to 31st August 2022, and is being held under the theme " **The Regulatory Challenges for the Governance of Migration from an International Law Perspective About Migration** ".

Parliamentarians of the member countries of FOPREL will discuss issues such as the importance of updating their regulatory frameworks and identify gaps and needs for the issuance of new norms that recognize the challenges for the protection of the human rights of migrants, including alternatives to immigration detention.

They will also look at the technical and legal elements to address in regulatory frameworks the links between climate change and migration, also from a gender perspective.

Parliamentarians will also deliberate on the results of the International Migration Review Forum (FEMI) process to identify opportunities for improvement and harmonization of regulatory frameworks related to the protection of the human rights of migrants, including in migration situations due to the effects of climate change

At the end of the meeting, the Parliamentarians will sign a **Resolution Referring to the Regulatory Challenges for the Governance of Migration from an International Law Perspective About Migration**.

The Hon. Vega Samos and the Hon. Espat are accompanied by Mrs. Clarita Pech, Deputy Clerk to the National Assembly. The cost of their travel was provided by FOPREL and the House of Representatives of Mexico. The delegation will return to Belize on Thursday, 1st September 2022.

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