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Member of Parliament participates in FOPREL's Interparliamentary Commission Meetings in San Jose, Costa Rica

Honourable Orlando Habet, Minister of Sustainable Development, Climate Change, and Disaster Risk Management is attending the **15th Meeting of FOPREL's Interparliamentary Commission on Environment and Climate Change** that is being held in **San Jose, Costa Rica**, on **12th August 2022**.

The objective of the one-day meeting, which is being held in conjunction with FOPREL's Special Interparliamentary Commission on Women, is to promote the dialogue at the highest level, to coordinate collective actions, and to contribute from the Parliaments to the attention and response of human mobility associated with environmental factors and climate change, while prioritizing the protection of the human rights of migrant women.

FOPREL, in cooperation with the International Organization for Migration (IOM) and Save the Children, has initiated the elaboration of a "Regional Framework Law on the management of migration due to climate change and the environment, with a Human Rights approach", which will constitute a legislative tool and reference instrument in Central America, the Caribbean Basin and Mexico, with broad scope at national and regional levels. The meeting will conclude with the signing of a Resolution referring to the Regional Framework Law.

Honourable Habet is accompanied by Mrs. Clarita Pech, Deputy Clerk of the National Assembly, as Belize's technical advisor to FOPREL. The meeting and travel expenses were made possible through the support of the parliament of Costa Rica and FOPREL. Honourable Habet and Deputy Clerk Pech are scheduled to return to Belize on 14th August 2022.

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