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## PRESS RELEASE

## Statement by the Honourable Carolyn Trench-Sandiford President of the Senate of Belize

**—Wednesday, 23<sup>rd</sup> August 2023**— As President of the Senate of Belize and member of the Formosa Club, it is very concerning to learn that the Central American Parliament (PARLACEN) took a harsh decision to terminate the Republic of China's (Taiwan) permanent observer status on 21<sup>st</sup> August 2023. For Belize, Taiwan has been and will continue to be a valuable development partner.

Throughout the years, through regional and bilateral cooperation projects, Taiwan has helped to promote democracy, good governance and the overall welfare of the people of the region. Their efforts have been unparalleled in complementing our region's development.

The National Assembly of Belize and the Belizean people express its solidarity and friendship with the Government and people of the Republic of China (Taiwan).

