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PRESS RELEASE

Clerk of the National Assembly of Belize attends the CPA Advanced Leadership Programme in Wellington, New Zealand

11th July 2025 – The National Assembly of Belize congratulates **Mrs. Clarita Pech**, Clerk to the National Assembly, for participating in the **Commonwealth Parliamentary Association's (CPA) Advanced Residency Programme for Leadership in Parliament**, held from 7 to 11 July 2025, in Wellington, New Zealand.

The program was hosted by the **Parliament of New Zealand** in collaboration with the **CPA Headquarters Secretariat** and is considered one of the many professional development opportunities available to senior parliamentary staff. This programme brought together parliamentary clerks and senior parliamentary officials from across the Commonwealth for an intensive week of training focused on leadership, personal development, and best practices in parliamentary administration.

The program is designed to sharpen leadership and governance skills within parliamentary environments exploring four core pillars:

- **Personal Leadership:** Goal setting, Personal Management, Leadership skills, and cultural intelligence;
- **Administrative Leadership:** Monitoring and Evaluation, continuous improvement, Managing risk and Resilience, Project and Financial Management;
- **Interpersonal Leadership:** Ethics and Integrity, Negotiation and Persuasion, Conflict resolution, and Challenging conversations; and
- **Training for Trainers:** Training Programme Design, Communication Skills, and Facilitating sessions.

Over the course of five days, attendees immersed in dynamic workshops, simulations, peer discussions, and expert-led sessions that challenge conventional thinking and promote innovation in parliamentary practice.

The Clerk's participation reflects Belize's ongoing commitment to strengthening the capacity and effectiveness of its parliamentary institution. The National Assembly commends Mrs. Pech for her continued dedication to professional growth and excellence in service and looks forward to the positive impact of her experience on the advancement of parliamentary practice in Belize.

The meeting and travel expenses for Mrs. Pech were made possible through the support of the CPA. She departed Belize on Friday, 4th July 2025, and is expected to return on Saturday, 12th July 2025.

For more information about the CPA Parliamentary Academy, please visit www.cpahq.org or email hq.sec@cpahq.org.

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