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PRESS RELEASE

Member for Cayo West Participates in FOPREL Interparliamentary Meetings in Costa Rica

Friday, 6th March 2026 - Honourable Miguel Guerra, Member for Cayo West and Member of the Education, Sports and Housing Committee, participated in interparliamentary committee meetings convened by the Forum of Presidents of Legislative Powers (FOPREL) in Costa Rica on Thursday 5th March 2026.

The meetings brought together parliamentarians from across the region for the Joint Meeting of the Sixteenth Interparliamentary Commission on Social Cohesion and the Fight against Poverty, the Ninth Meeting of the Interparliamentary Commission on Social Inclusion, and the First Meeting of the Special Interparliamentary Commission for the Promotion of Sport, Physical Activity and Recreation.

Belize currently holds the Presidency of the Interparliamentary Commission on Social Inclusion, and in this capacity, Hon. Guerra represented the Chair of the Commission during the proceedings. As part of the official programme, Hon. Guerra delivered remarks during both the opening session and the closing segment of the meeting, reflecting Belize's leadership role within the Commission and contributing to the regional dialogue on social inclusion and development.

The meetings provided a platform for regional legislators and international partners to deliberate on key policy initiatives aimed at strengthening social protection and public health frameworks across member states. Central to the discussions was the presentation and consideration of the Regional Framework Law for the Promotion and Fostering of Healthy Diets and Food and Nutrition Education, as well as the Technical-Legislative Report on Sport, Physical Activity and Recreation. These initiatives form part of broader regional efforts to advance food and nutrition security, promote healthy lifestyles, and prevent non-communicable diseases through strengthened legislative action.

Hon. Guerra departed Belize on Wednesday 4th March 2026, to attend the meetings and is expected to return to the country on Saturday 7th March 2026. All expenses associated with his participation were covered by the Forum of Presidents of Legislative Powers (FOPREL).

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