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H.E. Candice Pitts Presents Credentials as Ambassador of Belize

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Her Excellency Dr. Candice Pitts, Belize's newly appointed Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary to the Republic of China (Taiwan), today presented a copy of her letter of credence to H.E. Joseph Wu, Taiwan's Minister of Foreign Affairs.

Ambassador Pitts and Minister Wu used the occasion to exchange opinions on a wide range of issues of mutual concern.

Minister Wu noted that this is Ambassador Pitts' first visit to Taiwan and said he is sure that the Ambassador will get to know the beautiful scenery and friendly people very soon. Minister Wu expressed his confidence that the close and cordial relations between Taiwan and Belize would continue to deepen and that the two countries could strengthen cooperation.

Ambassador Pitts highlighted that Taiwan is an important ally of Belize and conveyed her appreciation for Taiwan's several cooperation projects which benefit Belize, including aid in fighting the COVID-19 pandemic. Ambassador Pitts also commented that she expects that the economic cooperation agreement, signed between Taiwan and Belize in September 2020, will soon take effect and the Taiwanese investment and trade groups will be able to visit Belize after the pandemic is over.

Ambassador Pitts holds a Ph.D. from Howard University in Washington, D.C., United States. As an educator, she has taught in the United States and Belize. She was elected as a Belize City councilwoman in March 2018, and has been actively involved in women's empowerment and community and national development.

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