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Fourth Meeting of the National Trade Negotiation Commission

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The Fourth Meeting of the National Trade Negotiation Commission (NTNC) convened on July 12, 2022, and was co-chaired by Ambassador Amalia Mai, Chief Executive Officer in the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Foreign Trade, and Mr. Emile Mena who represented the private sector.

The commission was updated on the progress made in the third round of ongoing negotiations with Guatemala to expand the Belize-Guatemala Partial Scope Agreement. Both countries improved their respective goods offer during that round of negotiations. However, further engagements are needed to advance market access for agricultural products of export interest. The meeting also focused on consultations and preparations for subsequent rounds of negotiations scheduled to take place virtually this month.

The NTNC agreed that Belize continues to advance negotiations with Guatemala.

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