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Ministry of Blue Economy and Civil Aviation Meets with Belize Coast Guard

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On Tuesday, March 9, 2021, officials from the Ministry of the Blue Economy and Civil Aviation met with the Belize Coast Guard (BCG) at their headquarters in Belize City.

During the meeting, the BCG discussed its role in securing the space necessary for economic development and the safety of actors and stakeholders in Belize's maritime areas. Also highlighted was the mandate of the BCG to safeguard maritime resources which are central to the blue economy and livelihoods.

Both the Ministry and the Belize Coast Guard recognize each other as key partners in the blue economy. Opportunities for strengthening the existing collaboration between the Fisheries Department and the BCG were also identified. The commitment was made for joint strategic planning and resource mobilization to meet maritime security needs, the re-establishment of a reformed and repurposed Maritime Security Conference, and the continued support to the Fisheries Department.

Present at the meeting were Kennedy Carrillo, CEO; Beverly Wade, Planning and Policy Advisor in the Ministry; Commander Gregory Soberanis, Acting Commandant of the BCG; Lieutenant John Diego and Lieutenant Armando Cobb of the BCG.

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