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## **BCCI Congratulates Dr. Carla Barnett on Her Appointment as**

## **CARICOM Secretary-General**

- For Immediate Release-

The Belize Chamber of Commerce and Industry (BCCI) gives its heartiest congratulations to Dr. Carla Barnett on her unanimous appointment as the 8<sup>th</sup> CARICOM Secretary-General, succeeding Ambassador Irwin LaRoque who is completing his second term.

As the first woman and the first Belizean to serve in this role, we are certain that Dr. Barnett will make great strides in the goals of regional integration and cooperation by bringing her knowledge and expertise to CARICOM gained from her capacities as a former Deputy Secretary General of CARICOM, Financial Secretary for Belize and Deputy Governor of the Central Bank of Belize.

The BCCI is confident that Dr. Barnett will aptly facilitate the conversations between Member States necessary to advance the spirit of the Revised Treaty of Chaguaramas (RTC) and, as the government's press release had quoted, to build "a sense of one Caribbean people with one common experience and destiny." We look forward to working with Dr. Barnett, who is set to assume office on August 15<sup>th</sup>, 2021."

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