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## Prime Minister Rowley receives courtesy call from Executive Committee Member of Royal Dutch Shell

Dr the Honourable Keith Rowley received a courtesy call today (Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> August 2016) from Mr Maarten Wetselaar, Integrated Gas and New Energies Director and Royal Dutch Shell Executive Committee Member along with other high level Shell officials at the Office of the Prime Minister, St Clair.

During the courtesy call, the Prime Minister shared his vision for the future of the local energy sector. Noting the importance of Trinidad and Tobago in the combined Shell and BG organisation, Mr Wetselaar apprised Dr Rowley about Shell's future plans for Trinidad and Tobago. The Honourable Stuart Young, Minister in the Office of the Prime Minister and Minister in the Office of the Attorney General and Legal Affairs was also in attendance.

Mr Wetselaar was accompanied by Mr Mark Regis, Government Relations Advisor Trinidad and Tobago English/Dutch Caribbean Cluster; Mr John Crocker - Executive Vice President, Government Relations Shell Global; Mr Luis Prado, Country Chairman, Shell Trinidad and Tobago; Mr De LaRey Venter, Executive Vice President, Integrated Gas Ventures and Mr Derek Hudson, Vice President, Shell Trinidad and Tobago.

Charged with the responsibility of delivering and growing Shell's global Integrated Gas business, Mr Wetselaar also heads Shell's newly established New Energies business which oversees the exploration of and investment in new low-carbon (renewable energy) opportunities.