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Memorandum of Understanding signed between El Salvador's FIU and the FIU of Trinidad and Tobago

The Directors of the Financial Intelligence Units (FIU) of El Salvador and Trinidad and Tobago executed a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) on November 20, 2018 at the Caribbean Financial Action Task Force (CFATF) XLVIII Plenary held during November 19-23, 2018 in Bridgetown, Barbados. The purpose of the MOU is to establish a framework to facilitate the timely exchange of information and intelligence that is reasonably considered relevant to the investigation of a money laundering or financing of terrorism case.

Under the MOU, each FIU can offer, spontaneously or upon request of the other FIU, any information and intelligence at its disposal that may be relevant to such an investigation to the extent permitted by the laws of each country and in accordance with its policies and procedures. Information so shared can only be used for intelligence purposes. Information sharing amongst CFATF members is critical in the combatting money laundering, associated predicate offences and financing of terrorism which being transnational in nature can have an actual or potential impact across our national borders. Consequently, the CFATF Secretariat and the Heads of FIUs Forum encourage its members to enter into MOUs to facilitate the sharing of information and furthermore to comply with the FATF Standards.



Pictured above (L-R): Mr. Nigel Stoddard, Deputy Director, Financial Intelligence Unit, Trinidad and Tobago; Ms. Susan François, Director, Financial Intelligence Unit, Trinidad and Tobago; Ms. Eugenia Maricela Campos de Velasquez, Head, Financial Intelligence Unit, El Salvador and the Honourable Faris Al-Rawi M.P., Attorney General and Minister of Legal Affairs, Trinidad and Tobago.

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