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An informating and updating Meeting about the Economic Integration of Central America was held

In order to exchange opinions between the Central American Parliament (PARLACEN) and the Secretariat of Economic Integration of Central America (SIECA) about the Subsystem of the Economic Integration of Central America an informating and updating meeting was held, Monday, April 11. Members of the Board of Parliament as well as the presidents of the Permanent Commissions participated.

The topics involved in this meeting were the economic integration in line with the Central American Integration System (SICA), the legal institutional framework: Main instruments in the legislation and the process of ratification and deposits; the advances in the process of economic integration; matters concerning customs and commercial assistance; the Central American Customs Union; the Agreement of a Customs Union between Guatemala and El Salvador; Free-Trade Treaties and the Association Agreement with the European Union; the Incorporation of Panama into the Economic Subsystem.

The opening speech of the event was held by the president of the PARALACEN, Dorindo Cortez and the Secretary General of the SIECA, Ernesto Torres Chico.