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Director of Public Prosecutions (DPP), Mrs. Shalimar Ali-Hack, SC on Friday 12<sup>th</sup> July, 2024 met with officials from the Better Police Readiness in Caribbean Law Enforcement Organization (B-PRO) at the DPP's Office.

The B-PRO Project is funded by the U.S. Department of State Bureau of Narcotics and Law Enforcement Affairs (INL) and has received approval from the Guyana Government. It is implemented by the Pan American Development Foundation (PADF).

The PADF local office in Georgetown Guyana stated that the initiative aims to modernize law enforcement practices across the Caribbean with specific interventions designed to improve the Guyana Police Force (GPF).

Forensic Evidence Specialist Jeffrey Shearer and Certified Instructor on Management for Law Enforcement, Dr. Robert Brzenchek, said their meeting with the DPP was beneficial and informative to enhancing their project design. Specifically, the training would target police prosecutors in forensics analysis in Finger Printing, Foot Printing and Blood Splatters. There are five police prosecutors who are seconded to the DPP's Chambers and prosecute matters in the Magistrates' Courts.

Among the key objectives of the B-PRO project is to strengthen the GPF's organizational and administrative structures; Implementing effective ethics, transparency and accountability procedure with the GPF's Office of Professional Responsibility (OPR); to enhance the skills and knowledge of the GPF officers through ongoing training and specialized courses; Improve the capabilities of the GPF Criminal Investigation Department (CID), including criminal investigations and to equip the GPF academy with tools to evaluate and assess officer performance.