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Ambassador Mark Stanley with the Minister of Foreign Affairs, Santiago Cafiero, at Palacio San Martín.

CELEBRATING 200 YEARS OF BILATERAL RELATIONS

On January 27, 1823, the United States formally recognized the United Provinces of the Río de la Plata, which would later become the Argentine Republic. Since then, both nations have maintained bilateral relations.

On Friday, January 27, the Minister of Foreign Affairs, Santiago Cafiero, and the U.S. Ambassador to Argentina, Marc Stanley, placed a wreath at a monument to the Liberator General San Martín at the Foreign Ministry

Office, and later held a meeting to celebrate 200 years of diplomatic relations between both countries.

Foreign Minister Cafiero stressed the strong links that serve to illustrate our bilateral relationship and the candid and ongoing dialogue between the two governments on diverse issues such as the consolidation of democracy, promotion and defense of human rights, health protection, climate change, use of nuclear energy for



Once again, I share with you the latest edition of our Embassy Newsletter. This issue includes an article about the 200th anniversary celebration of diplomatic relations between Argentina and the United States, with the participation of Foreign Minister Santiago Cafiero and the U.S. Ambassador to Argentina, Marc Stanley.

In this edition we also include an article about my working visit to the city of Miami on January 26 and 27 which included meetings with companies, think tanks and local authorities.

Finally, an article on the visit to Washington, D.C. of the Minister of Health, Carla Vizzotti, to attend the swearing in of Dr. Jarbas Barbosa da Silva Jr. as the new director of the Pan American Health Organization.

Jorge Argüello
Ambassador to the United States

THE ANNIVERSARY REPRESENTS A VALUABLE FRAMEWORK TO CONTINUE STRENGTHENING OUR COMMON AGENDA.

peaceful purposes, and the fight against terrorism and drug trafficking, among others.

He also highlighted that the United States is an essential partner for our country in terms of investment and trade. In the current international stage, the fluidity that our relationship has achieved is key for Argentina to become, thanks to its resources and production conditions, a strategic partner of the United States in its capacity as main investor and third-ranked commercial partner, to generate the essential synergies to integrate value chains that are safe, nearby and sustainable and contribute to food security and global energy security.

For his part, on that same day, Secretary Antony Blinken expressed his “heartfelt gratitude for the warm and productive partnership that our two countries have shared over the past two centuries,” noting that since 1823, “our shared commitment to democracy, the rule of law, labor rights, and human rights have helped our two nations overcome the many domestic, regional, and global challenges that we have confronted”.

In his statement, the US Secretary of State emphasized that “our close bilateral relationship is based on deeply held shared values. In addition to our strong commitment to democracy and human rights, the United States and Argentina seek to promote fair and equitable economic prosperity for our people, save our planet from the effects of climate change, ensure security from criminals and aggressors, and advance human achievement through science and education.”

The United States Congress also evoked the bicentennial of the bilateral relationship. Senator Tim Kaine from Virginia stated that the “longstanding friendship between our two countries is underpinned by the strong cultural and familial ties which unite our peoples,” while also referring to the values and principles that bring us closer as countries.

Within this framework, the Argentine Embassy in the United States and the United States Embassy in Buenos Aires are working on the organization of events to celebrate this anniversary, to take place over the coming months. ■

MEETING WITH INVESTORS, BUSINESSES AND AUTHORITIES IN THE STATE OF FLORIDA

Ambassador Jorge Argüello made a working visit to Miami between January 26 and 27 with an agenda that included meetings with companies, think tanks and local authorities.

The United States is the main investor in Argentina, in sectors as diverse as financial services, transportation, energy, agribusiness, tourism, and software, among others. In all of them, the state of Florida makes an important contribution.

The working visit also served to strengthen ties with local authorities, thanks to the meeting with the Mayor of Miami-Dade County, Daniella Levine Cava.

Another important aspect was the meeting with General

Laura Richardson, Head of the US Southern Command (Southcom). Richardson, a four-star general in the US Army, is the first woman leader of the US Southern Command since she took office in 2021.

Likewise, Ambassador Argüello, accompanied by the Argentine consul in Miami, Leandro Fernández Suárez, participated in a meeting with a prominent group of businesspeople with interests in Argentina at the Americas Society/Council of the Americas. This meeting was a favorable environment to exchange perspectives on the evolution of the Argentine economy's perspectives and the policies that Minister Sergio Massa has been implementing.

Miami is a city characterized by offering business

(From Left to Right) Consul Leandro Fernández Suárez, Ambassador Jorge Argüello, Juan Pablo Sorin and Juan Usandivaras.



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opportunities and facilitating meeting places for the business community, as was the case with the Content Americas Fair. In this edition, the Ambassador participated together with the executive president of the Argentine Agency for Investment and International Trade, Juan Usandivaras. The fair is an important forum for projects, creators and managers of both multiplatform content and audiovisual services for the Hispanic market in the United States and Latin American countries.

Within this framework, Argentina had an institutional space there, made available to the almost two dozen companies in the audiovisual sector that comprised the delegation, among them 3C Films, Anima Films, Be Aware Media, EO Media, Glowstar Media, GM Comunicaciones, Incowet, Jaque Content, Kapow, Kuarzo, Mediahub Internacional, Nippur Media, Onceloops Media, Elis, Playmakers Entertainment, SDO Entertainment and Tournaments and Competitions. Also in this context, a meeting with Argentine Carolina Cordero, General Director of the Worldwide Audiovisual Women Association-WAWA, a network that underpins the role of women and their development in the audiovisual industry, should be highlighted.

The economic agenda also included a meeting with

Roberto Macho, who is in charge of the Argentine American Chamber of Commerce in diverse projects that aim to strengthen the bilateral link between both productive ecosystems.

These visits to the jurisdictions where Argentina carries out daily tasks of economic promotion, in this case through the Consulate General and Promotion Center in Miami, are essential. Given the characteristics of this jurisdiction as a business hub between South, Central and North America, the promotion of Argentina as a destination for productive investments in the State of Florida is strategic. ■

Ambassador Jorge Argüello (Ctr.) at the Council of the Americas.





(From Left to Right) Minister Carla Vizzotti, Secretary Xavier Becerra and Ambassador Jorge Argüello.

MINISTER CARLA VIZZOTTI ATTENDED THE SWEARING IN OF J. BARBOSA DA SILVA AND MET WITH SECRETARY XAVIER BECERRA

The Minister of Health, Carla Vizzotti, visited Washington, D.C., on Monday, January 30, and Tuesday, January 31, to attend the swearing in ceremony of Dr. Jarbas Barbosa da Silva Jr. as the new Director of the Pan American Health Organization. As part of her visit, the Minister met with the US Secretary of Health, Xavier Becerra. Both ministers discussed the actions and measures taken during the Covid-19 pandemic and the importance of close cooperation with all the countries in the region.

During the meeting they also exchanged ideas on global, regional and bilateral issues of interest. Minister Vizzotti made reference to the importance of considering health as an investment and not an expense, but rather an essential component of our country's development policy. Among the topics discussed, those related to

sexual and reproductive health, antimicrobial resistance and international cooperation stand out. Ambassador Jorge Argüello, who accompanied the Minister along with members of her team in this and other meetings held in Washington, stressed the positive moment of the bilateral relationship between Argentina and the United States, which has led to important recurring bilateral meetings at the ministerial level.

Minister Vizzotti was accompanied by a delegation made up of the President of the board of the National Agency for Public Laboratories (ANLAP), Ana Lía Allemand, and a delegation of authorities from the Industrial Chamber of Pharmaceutical Laboratories of Argentina (CILFA), such as Eduardo Franciosi, CILFA's executive director; Marcelo Figueiras, President

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TOGETHER.

During the meeting, aspects related to opportunities for productive complementation and the potential role of the industry in product shortages due to specific circumstances was also discussed. In this area, she stressed the importance of public-private articulation in a dynamic and innovative sector such as this industry. ■

of Richmond Laboratories; Esteban Echenique, International Business Manager at Laboratorios Roemmers; Pablo Barenboim, CEO of Monserrat & Eclair Laboratories; Sergio Oppel, Director of Laboratorios Jayor Argentina; and Eduardo Spitzer, Scientific Director of the Elea Phoenix Laboratory.

The Minister also met with officials from the United States Food and Drug Administration (FDA), represented by Deputy Commissioner Mark Abdoo, and she mentioned her appreciation for the work undertaken in the last two years by the regional offices of the FDA and the National Administration of Medicines, Food and Medical Technology (ANMAT) agency in Argentina, guided by an ongoing regulatory work plan, and looks forward to continue strengthening their lines of cooperation. In this regard, she highly valued ANMAT's capacities, as it had to face the worst epidemiological crisis of the century and was able to respond effectively to the emergency without losing its quality and safety standards.