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Minister Adrián Nador (Left), Ambassador Jorge Argüello and CEO of the AJC, Ted Deutch (Ctr.), and leaders of the Organization.

## AMBASSADOR JORGE ARGÜELLO WELCOMED THE CEO OF THE AMERICAN JEWISH COMMITTEE, TED DEUTCH

On Sunday, February 5th at the Argentine Embassy in Washington DC, Ambassador Jorge Argüello welcomed the CEO of the American Jewish Committee (AJC), Ted Deutch, together with a group of leaders from this organization, for a dinner on the occasion of their arrival to the capital from all corners of the United States.

There is a long standing relationship between the

Argentine Embassy and Ted Deutch. A former Representative of the 22nd congressional district of Florida during multiple periods, he was also a member of the Latino-Jewish Caucus and is the author of a resolution passed in the United States Congress in 2019, for the 25th anniversary of the attack on the Argentine Israelite Mutual Association (AMIA). In April of last year, he participated at our Embassy in the



Once again, I share with you the latest edition of our Embassy Newsletter. This edition includes an article about the meeting with AJC CEO Ted Deutch and a group of leaders of this organization to continue the exchange of proposals on collaboration and joint work.

In this edition we also include an article on the Bilateral Human Rights Dialogue between Argentina and the United States that took place at the Palacio San Martín in Buenos Aires.

Finally, an article about the work agenda organized by the Embassy with members of the Industrial Chamber of Argentine Pharmaceutical Laboratories.

Jorge Argüello  
Ambassador to the United States



opening of a photographic exhibition of the survivors of that attack, along with senior representatives of the US government, including the special envoy for Monitoring and Combating Anti-Semitism, Ambassador Deborah Lipstadt.

Together with the AJC, the Embassy has also carried out multiple joint activities. Argentina is home to the largest Jewish community in Latin America (seventh in the world) and boasts a migratory integration experience similar to that of the United States, with similar strengths and challenges.

In 2015, at the United Nations General Assembly, Argentina, along with 40 other countries, signed a Joint Statement that expressed concern and condemnation of the increase in anti-Semitism throughout the world

Ambassador Jorge Argüello and CEO of the AJC, Ted Deutch.



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and reaffirmed that the determination to eradicate the conditions that gave rise to the Holocaust was one of the guiding principles of the United Nations.

Since 2002, Argentina is the only Latin American country that is a full member of the International Holocaust Remembrance Alliance (IHRA). After joining that organization, our country officially adopted IHRA's definition of anti-Semitism.

The dinner shared with the AJC leaders was a favorable occasion to continue exchanging proposals about opportunities for collaborating and working together, and contributing to building more equitable, inclusive, and diverse societies with full enjoyment of human rights. ■

## MEETING OF THE BILATERAL HUMAN RIGHTS DIALOGUE WAS HELD IN BUENOS AIRES

A new meeting of the Bilateral Human Rights Dialogue between the Argentine Republic and the United States took place at the San Martín Palace in Buenos Aires on February 2nd and 3rd.

This meeting in Buenos Aires with a visiting US delegation is yet another example of the priority nature given to the promotion and protection of human rights by the governments of Presidents Alberto Fernández and Joseph Biden. The last meeting held within the framework of this bilateral dialogue mechanism took place in July 2009.

During the first day of activities, the visiting officials had the opportunity to see two highly representative spaces of the Memory, Truth and Justice process that our country

has undertaken since the recovery of democracy 40 years ago, such as the ESMA Site Museum and the Parque de la Memoria. In this regard, the ESMA Site Museum was formerly one of the main clandestine detention centers between 1976 and 1983 and is currently nominated to be added to the UNESCO World Heritage List, while the Memory Park has a monument with the names of the disappeared and murdered during the last civic-military dictatorship.

On the second day, the two delegations addressed substantive issues on the bilateral dialogue agenda, and exchanged points of view on the fight against discrimination and efforts by both countries to promote the rights of people of African descent, LGBTIQ+ people, the elderly,

Delegations from the United States delegation (Left) and Argentina (Right) at the Bilateral Human Rights Dialogue meeting.



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of cooperation and improve common work on these topics. They look forward to analyzing the results in the next edition of the Bilateral Dialogue, scheduled to be held in Washington DC in 2024. ■

indigenous peoples and people with disabilities, as well as the situation of migrants and refugees, the policies of Memory, Truth and Justice, businesses and human rights, and other topics of multilateral cooperation, both worldwide and regionally, in which the United States and Argentina share initiatives and positions.

The Argentine delegation was headed by the Under Secretary of Foreign Policy, Ambassador Claudio Rozencwaig. The Director of Human Rights, Cecilia Meirovich, the Special Representative on Sexual Orientation and Gender Identity, Alba Rueda, the Director for North America, Julio Mercado, and the Deputy Director for Women and Gender Affairs, Florencia Riveros also participated. The United States delegation was headed by the Deputy Assistant Secretary for Democracy, Human Rights and Labor, Scott Busby, and the Deputy Assistant Secretary for International Organizations Affairs, Allison Lombardo, and included the Director of Affairs for Brazil and the Southern Cone Baxter Hunt, accompanied by Ambassador Marc Stanley and other State Department officials.

When closing the meeting, the delegations agreed on the importance of continuing this space for dialogue, which enabled a valuable exchange of experiences, public policies and good practices, in order to identify new areas





(From Left to Right) Minister Adrián Nador, Ambassador Jorge Argüello, Minister Juan Cortelletti, Carlos Múscari and members of CILFA.

## CILFA DELEGATION CARRIED OUT ITS WORK AGENDA IN WASHINGTON DC

Within the framework of the official visit of the Minister of Health, Carla Vizzotti, to Washington DC, the Argentine Embassy in the United States devised a program for the visit by members of the Industrial Chamber of Argentine Pharmaceutical Laboratories (CILFA), with the aim of detecting business opportunities, evaluate the potential for productive complementarity initiatives with local firms, and create technical cooperation initiatives.

The delegation was made up of Eduardo Franciosi, executive director of the chamber; Marcelo Figueiras, president 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; Eduardo Spitzer, scientific director of the Elea Phoenix Laboratory, and Lautaro Mazzeo, manager of Government Affairs at Bago.

The agenda included working meetings with the Food and Drug Administration (FDA), Association of Public Health Laboratories (APHL), Pharmaceutical Research and Manufacturers of America (Phrma), Association for Affordable Medicines (AAM), International Association for Generic and Biosimilar Medicines (IGBA), Council of the Americas, and a number of large companies in this sector. At the different meetings, the participants highlighted the high quality standards of the Argentine laboratories, the valuable scientific-technological ecosystem, and the ability to complement the US industry in the event of a temporary

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The businessmen held a meeting with the Argentine Ambassador, Jorge Argüello, and with the commercial economic team of the diplomatic mission, in which they outlined a roadmap to advance on the issues discussed during this visit. ■