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President Javier Milei participated in the ceremony of the Day of Remembrance of Victims of the Holocaust. Photo: Casa Rosada.

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On January 26, President Javier Milei participated in an event marking the Day of Remembrance of Victims of the Holocaust, 79 years after the liberation of the Auschwitz-Birkenau Nazi concentration and extermination camp. He ratified that “Argentina will not remain silent when confronted with Hamas terror” and demanded “the immediate release of all civilians kidnapped, including 11 Argentines.”

Within the framework of the anniversary of the liberation of the largest concentration camp in 1945, the president stated that “what was destroyed has been rebuilt. The Holocaust and the Nazis are not something of the past; the events of October 7 are a warning, and we must ensure that none of this happens again,” adding, “Thanks to the Holocaust Museum, we are building the present and the future.”

During the ceremony, survivor Eva Fono de Rosenthal also gave testimony, highlighting that 2024 marks the 80th anniversary of the deportation of Jews from Hungary, stating that it is the first event of this type in the country after the Hamas terrorist attack on October 7th in Israel. “The world can no longer remain silent in the face of these atrocities. It is our obligation and mission to tell our stories, as witnesses of one of the darkest episodes in history. Our testimony represents one of the most powerful tools to prevent it from happening again,” she indicated.

For his part, the president of the Delegation of Argentine Israelite Associations (DAIA), Jorge Knoblovits, stressed that “commemorating a new anniversary of the Shoah at a time when another totalitarian and criminal regime rises up against the Jews and their national home, Israel, is not a mere coincidence: it is an alarm that must reach all of

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Eugenia Carbone (Auschwitz Institute); Ruth Faynzilberg (AMIA); Leonardo Chullmir (AMIA); Hector Shalom (Casa Anne Frank); Susana Chalon (B'nai B'rith); Batia Nemirovsky (COORDIEP); Veronica Silbergleit (FACCMA); Javier Gustavo Suez (Tzedaká); Betina Rosental (Tzedakah); Martha de Antueno de Vergara (Cofraternidad Argentina Judeo Cristiana); Marisa Braylan (DAIA) and Paula Schreier de Vainer (Bama). ■

humanity, awakening the conscience of every man and woman in every corner of the planet”.

The head of state was accompanied by the Minister of Foreign Affairs Diana Mondino, and the Ministers of Defense, Luis Petri, Justice, Mariano Cúneo Libarona, and Human Capital, Sandra Pettovello, as well as the Head of Government of the city of Buenos Aires, Jorge Macri, and the president of the Holocaust Museum, Marcelo Mindlin.

Also participating were the representatives of the Argentine Israelite Mutual Association (AMIA), Ruth Fainzylberg and Leonardo Chullmir, as well as Holocaust survivors and representatives of Jewish entities, and organizations fighting against anti-Semitism.

During the event, in which the traditional candle lighting ceremony took place, also present were Holocaust survivors Mónica Dawidowicz, Manfredo Leopoldo Dziubek, Marion Eppinger, Eva Fono Rosenthal, Andre Gategno, Helene Gutkowksi, Tomás Kertesz, Noelly were present Talgham, Lea Zajac Novera, Mariette Diamant, Pedro Roth, Jorge Kappel, Victor Woma Barg, Rebeca Szuchman de Sztjnahart, Marysia Szefner, Alberto Danon, Claudia Piperno, Pedro Lievendag and Izy Levenzon.

Among others attending the event, were the representatives of the Local Chapter of the IHRA, Alejandro Zuchowicki (DAIA); Ariel Gelblung (Simon Wiesenthal Center); Ana Diamant (ICUF); Marcelo Horestein (ICUF);

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On January 31, the Executive Board of the International Monetary Fund (IMF) approved the Seventh Review of the the Extended Arrangement Under the Extended Fund Facility and authorized a disbursement of \$4.7 billion (or 3.5 billion SDR), which will be used to support the country's economic program.

In this regard, Fund authorities highlighted that “an ambitious stabilization plan is being implemented to correct severe policy slippages in the final quarters of 2023.”

In a statement, the Executive Board of the multilateral credit organization emphasized that “the plan is centered

on the establishment of a strong fiscal anchor along with policies to durably bring down inflation, rebuild reserves, and tackle distortions and long-standing impediments to growth.”

“The path to stabilization will be challenging, requiring steadfast policy implementation and agile policymaking. Clear communication and well-targeted social assistance will be critical to build social and political support for the program,” the IMF added. ■

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Meeting at Princeton University's School of Public and International Affairs in Washington DC. Photo: Princeton University.

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On January 18, our embassy participated, along with representatives from other Latin American countries' embassies, in a meeting at the School of Public and International Affairs (SPIA) at Princeton University in Washington DC.

The meeting was hosted by the SPIA Director of Initiatives in DC, Zach Vertin, who received Ambassadors and Charges d'Affaires from Argentina, Colombia, Costa Rica, Ecuador, Guatemala, Peru, Dominican Republic and Uruguay to discuss opportunities for collaboration and hold a dialogue on political and security issues in the region. In addition to the embassy representatives, Princeton professors Miguel Centeno and Deborah Yashar, as well as Ambassador Jeffrey DeLaurentis, also participated in the meeting.

Last year, the Princeton School of Public and International

Affairs opened a new center in the Dupont Circle neighborhood of Washington, DC, the same neighborhood where our Embassy has been located for more than 100 years.

SPIA primarily offers three programs in Washington DC: the Master in Public Affairs (MPA, 2 years); the Master in Public Policy (MPP, 1 year), and the Ph.D. in Public Affairs (Ph.D., 5 years), with two research clusters: Security Studies and Scientific, Technological and Environmental Policy (STEP).

During the meeting, Vertin emphasized that SPIA postgraduate courses are notable for the diversity of the cohorts, and that in order to maintain the university's commitment to diversity, equity and inclusion policies, it offers a policy toolkit generous funding that includes up to 100% tuition for all students.

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Finally, it should be noted that this meeting is part of a series of commitments of the Princeton SPIA with the Washington, D.C Diplomatic Corps and is carried out within the framework of this prestigious school's commitment to research, dialogue and the international agenda. ■