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Minister of Foreign Affairs Diana Mondino and Assistant Secretary of State for the Bureau of Western Hemisphere Affairs, Brian A. Nichols.

MEETING IN BUENOS AIRES BETWEEN CHANCELLOR DIANA MONDINO AND ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF STATE BRIAN NICHOLS

The Assistant Secretary of State for the Bureau of Western Hemisphere Affairs, Brian A. Nichols, visited Buenos Aires this week, from February 4th to 6th, where he met with the Minister of Foreign Affairs Diana Mondino; the Minister of Security Patricia Bullrich; the Minister of Economy Luis Caputo and the Minister of Justice Mariano Cúneo Libarona, among other Argentine government officials.

The meeting with the Minister of Foreign Affairs Diana Mondino took place on Tuesday, February 5th. Both officials agreed on their mutual interest of further deepening, expanding and diversifying the bilateral relationship, by working together for the benefit of both countries in the context of a long-standing relationship that recently celebrated its 201st anniversary.

In this regard, Chancellor Mondino reiterated that our

country aspires to strengthen the bond with the United States through a strategic alliance focusing on several aspects: promotion of economic development, democracy in the region and globally, and respect for the freedom of individuals.

For his part, Nichols indicated that the United States hopes to work together with Argentina, which he considered an ally both at the bilateral level, and in the coordination of positions at the multilateral level.

Foreign Minister Mondino highlighted that the United States is a crucial investment partner and highlighted that the Argentine government's reform program will contribute to achieve fiscal balance, transparency, predictability, macroeconomic stability, growth and an improvement of our international financial situation. ■

ARGENTINA PARTICIPATES IN INTERFAITH DIALOGUE

On February 5, Imam Marwan Gill, president of the Ahmadiyya Muslim Community in Argentina, visited the Embassy as part of his visit to Washington DC. He was joined by the Director of Radio Jai Argentina, Mr. Miguel Steuermann, and Catholic Priest Adrián Santelli, who also traveled to the capital to participate in a meeting focused on interreligious models for the construction of peace and reconciliation.

At this important event, which took place on January 29 in the Rayburn Building attached to the House of Representatives, Mr. Sam Brownback, who was Ambassador-At-Large for International Religious Freedom of the United States in 2018 - 2021, as well as Dr. Katrina Lantos Swett, President of the Lantos Foundation for Human Rights, addressed the meeting and offered Argentine speakers an excellent opportunity to explain

in detail the development of interfaith dialogue in our country, as well as to focus on the Argentine Republic as a model of religious coexistence.

In that regard, our country has historically been recognized for its cultural and religious diversity, an aspect that contributed greatly to the creation of an environment conducive to harmonious coexistence, which is becoming a model of respect for diverse beliefs and cults. In fact, religious freedom is included and protected at the highest level of the legal system, since our National Constitution establishes in article 14 that all the inhabitants enjoy the right to “to freely profess their religion”, and also enshrines in article 20 the right of all foreigners “to freely exercise their religion” during their stay in the national territory.

Both this legal framework, and Argentina’s long tradition of

Ricardo Lachterman, Imam Marwan Gill, Adrián Nador, Imam Yahya Luqman and Agustín Cardenes.



THE MEETING OFFERED ARGENTINE SPEAKERS AN EXCELLENT OPPORTUNITY TO EXPLAIN IN DETAIL THE DEVELOPMENT OF INTERFAITH DIALOGUE IN OUR COUNTRY, AS WELL AS TO FOCUS ON THE ARGENTINE REPUBLIC AS A MODEL OF RELIGIOUS COEXISTENCE.

pluralism, dialogue and mutual respect between different religions, made it possible to create a favorable context for the country to host a wide range of communities, which include Catholics, Protestants, Jews, Muslims, Hindus and Buddhists, among others, a diversity that undoubtedly reflects the cultural richness of the country and, in turn, encourages interreligious dialogue.

During the conversation held at the Argentine Embassy, Imam Marwan Gill was accompanied by Imam Yahya Luqman of the Ahmadiyya Community of Washington DC, and they discussed the concepts raised at the Congress auditorium and especially valued the interreligious dialogue organized in this Mission in February of last year. ■



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BODEGA TRAPICHE PARTNERS WITH INTER MIAMI, AN MLS TEAM

Inter Miami, an MLS franchise in which world soccer star Lionel Messi excels, announced a multi-year partnership with Mendoza winery Trapiche. This brand is now the Official Winery of Inter Miami and is paving the way for its expansion, while strengthening Argentina's leadership in the production and export of wines to international markets.

In this regard, Trapiche's Marketing Director, Alejandro Helou, stated: "This alliance reflects the shared commitment to authenticity, quality and creating unforgettable experiences for all fans." He added: "It's a landmark moment for Inter Miami and soccer in the United States, and we are eager to be part of their history and share memorable moments with them."

The Commercial Director of Inter Miami, Xavier Asensi,

highlighted: "Teaming up with Trapiche, one of the major wine producers in Argentina, exemplifies the authentic partnerships we strive to bring into our ecosystem." He added: "With our international fanbase, and a significant number of fans hailing from Argentina, this collaboration underscores our continued dedication to serving our soccer family, in this case, by bringing a touch of home to many of our supporters."

As part of this alliance, Inter Miami fans will be able to enjoy the winery's wines at the exclusive Trapiche Bar at Drive Pink Stadium, as well as at club events. In addition, Trapiche may use the team's registered trademark and logos in its advertising and promotional materials.

Trapiche, which sources grapes from more than 200 independent producers, was a pioneer in Argentina in

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introducing French vines, wines from a micro-terroir, and the import of French oak barrels. In addition, it was one of the first Argentine wineries to enter international markets, and by 1889 had already received the first worldwide recognition in Paris. Through this alliance with Inter Miami, Trapiche consolidates more than 140 years of history of global leadership.

In 2023, Argentina exported 196.8 million liters of wine; 76% of that total were fractionated wines, while the remaining 24% were bulk wines. According to figures for the first half of 2023, Argentina rose one step in the ranking of wine imports by origin to the United States, positioning itself as the fifth supplier of fractionated wine, after France, Italy, New Zealand and Spain. ■