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Ambassador Gerardo Werthein with Georgia Governor Brian Kemp.

AMBASSADOR GERARDO WERTHEIN MET WITH GOVERNOR BRIAN KEMP ON HIS FIRST VISIT TO ATLANTA

Argentine Ambassador to the United States, Gerardo Werthein, made his first official visit to Atlanta on June 20th and 21st. During his visit, he maintained a focused agenda on strengthening bilateral relations with the state of Georgia and the city of Atlanta, and promoting innovation and investment in Argentina.

On the morning of Thursday, June 20th, the ambassador led a delegation of 10 Argentine companies, ranging from startups to unicorns, highlighting Argentine talent in the fields of innovation, technology, and sports. This delegation participated in a networking breakfast organized by the Argentine Consulate in Atlanta, along with the Metro Atlanta Chamber and the Consulate General of Canada, attended by the Canadian Consul General, the president of Canada Soccer, and over 80 entrepreneurs and senior executives from Atlanta-based companies. Notable companies

present included DELTA, COMCAST, Atlanta United, Coca-Cola, Kimberly-Clark, Equifax, and American Tower, among others. It's worth noting that the metropolitan Atlanta area is home to the headquarters of 33 Fortune 500 companies.

During the working breakfast, the Ambassador shared President Javier Milei's vision and the new administration in Argentina. In this regard, he valued the President's popularity and the measures his administration is promoting, such as dismantling regulations that stifle innovation and growth. These changes are already yielding positive results, such as reducing inflation and improving macroeconomic indicators, offering a promising outlook for innovation and growth in the country.

In his tight schedule, Ambassador Werthein was received by Georgia Governor Brian Kemp on the afternoon of

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Thursday, June 20th, who showed knowledge and interest in Argentina's transformation process under President Milei's leadership. Also present at the meeting was Mayor General Richard Wilson, head of the Georgia National Guard, with which the Argentine Armed Forces maintain a strategic partnership agreement. The value of cooperation in this area was emphasized, along with Mayor General Wilson's recent visit to Argentina.

Additionally, the Ambassador met with Atlanta Mayor Andre Dickens, where they discussed the renewed approach between Argentina and the United States, emphasizing ideas of freedom, democracy, and the rule of law. Opportunities for collaboration in sports diplomacy and trade were explored, especially in the software sector, highlighting Atlanta's role as a fintech hub in the USA, where 80% of the country's payments are processed.

To conclude the visit, on the morning of June 21st, Ambassador Werthein visited Coca-Cola's headquarters, where he met with senior executives of the company. During the meeting, they discussed common interests and collaboration possibilities. Coca-Cola executives expressed their commitment to Argentina and discussed their investment plans in the country for the coming years. ■

MEETING WITH THE CHIEF RABBI OF ISRAEL DAVID LAU



Ambassador Gerardo Werthein held a meeting with the Chief Rabbi of Israel, David Lau, during which they discussed the strong ties that unite both countries at all levels, as well as opportunities for cooperation between the communities of Argentina and Israel. ■

WORKING MEETING WITH AMBASSADORS OF THE REGION

Last Monday, June 24, a working lunch with Ambassadors of the Group of Latin American and Caribbean Countries (GRULAC) was held at the Embassy of Argentina.

The event was hosted by the Ambassador of Argentina to the United States, Gerardo Werthein, and attended by the Ambassadors of Brazil, Maria Luiza Ribeiro Viotti, Costa Rica, Catalina Crespo Sancho, Honduras, Javier Bú Soto, Paraguay, Jose Antonio Dos Santos, Peru, Alfredo Ferrero Diez Canseco, Dominican Republic, Sonia Guzmán de Hernández, and the Chargés d'Affaires of Bolivia and Colombia, Mr. Henry Baldelomar Chávez and Daniel Avila respectively.

Also, at the reception prior to the beginning of the meeting, the Special Assistant to President Biden, and Senior

Director for Western Hemisphere Affairs of the White House National Security Council, Daniel Erikson, attended the meeting and held conversations with all those present, in a courtesy on his part, taking into account that his early flight prevented him from participating in the lunch with the Ambassadors as planned.

During the lunch, the participants addressed different issues on the agenda of the GRULAC countries, focusing on the relations of our countries with the United States, as well as the present situation of the region vis-à-vis the challenges currently faced. ■

(From L. to R.) Chargé d'Affaires Henry Baldomar Chávez, Amb. Alfredo Ferrero, Amb. Sonia Guzman, Amb. Gerardo Werthein, Amb. Maria Luiza Viotti, Amb. Javier Bu Soto, Amb. Catalina Crespo and Amb. José Antonio Dos Santos.





