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From left to right: Senior Director Juan González, Secretary Béliz, National Security Advisor Jake Sullivan and Ambassador Jorge Argüello.

WORKING MEETING BETWEEN SECRETARY BELIZ AND NATIONAL SECURITY ADVISOR SULLIVAN

The Secretary for Strategic Affairs of Argentina, Gustavo Beliz, made a two-day visit to Washington DC, which ended in a productive and extensive working meeting with the US National Security Advisor, Jake Sullivan.

Also participating in the meeting with Sullivan were the Argentine Ambassador to the United States, Jorge Argüello, and the senior director for the Western Hemisphere at the

U.S. National Security Council, Juan González.

The officials agreed on the need to work together to address the humanitarian crisis in Ukraine, and condemned the use of force and the violation of the principle of sovereignty and territorial integrity. They also discussed how the current geopolitical context set the course for making progress in concrete bilateral progress



Once again, I share with you the latest edition of our Embassy Newsletter. This edition includes an article about the visit of the Secretary for Strategic Affairs of Argentina, Gustavo Beliz to Washington DC and his working meeting with the U.S. National Security Advisor, Jake Sullivan.

In this edition we also include an article on the participation of the Minister of Economy of Argentina, Martín Guzmán, at a working meeting held at the Atlantic Council in Washington DC, on the sidelines of the Spring Meetings of the World Bank and the International Monetary Fund.

Finally, an article on the promotional events organized at the Embassy in celebration of the Malbec World Day.

Jorge Argüello
Ambassador to the United States

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at a productive level to address the growing international needs in terms of food security and energy security.

Sullivan praised the Argentine leadership at the United Nations Human Rights Council and highlighted the humanitarian assistance provided by our country through the White Helmets. He also recognized both countries' shared visions and common positions in multilateral organizations.

To make progress on this roadmap, Beliz and Sullivan aim to continue their efforts for an innovative strategic dialogue and a joint productive agenda that accelerates sustainable development with social inclusion based on the advancement of renewable energies, space and satellite innovation, Internet and connectivity, food security, knowledge economy, e-mobility, and green productive development.

To promote this bilateral roadmap, Beliz and Sullivan agreed on the importance of promoting public-private initiatives aimed at promoting an agenda of productive complementarity, and the important role that US investments in Argentina can play in this context.

The officials agreed on the leadership role that the multilateral credit banking system should undertake to

channel a greater mobilization of resources allocated by the hemisphere to combat climate change.

This meeting between Beliz and Sullivan took place within the framework of the Secretary's trip to Washington DC to participate in the Annual Meetings of the Boards of Governors of the International Monetary Fund and the World Bank, held April 18-24, and where Beliz is the Governor for Argentina at the World Bank Group. ■

MINISTER GUZMÁN OUTLINED ARGENTINA'S MACROECONOMIC PERSPECTIVES AT THE ATLANTIC COUNCIL

On the morning of April 22, a working meeting was held with the Minister of Economy of Argentina, Martín Guzmán at the Atlantic Council in Washington DC, who was accompanied by the Argentine Ambassador to the United States, Jorge Argüello, and a delegation of senior officials from the Argentine Ministry of Economy.

This event took place on the sidelines of the Spring Meetings of the World Bank and the International Monetary Fund. The Atlantic Council was represented by Jason Marczak, Senior Director of the Adrienne Arsht Latin America Center, and Josh Lipsky, Senior Director of the GeoEconomics Center.

At the meeting, Minister Guzmán assessed the progress

made on the program with the IMF and was positive that the targets of the IMF program are being met on schedule.

Guzmán highlighted the negative effect the war in Ukraine has had, particularly due to its impact on inflation on a global scale, including in Argentina. However, the Minister pointed out that this adverse shock will not modify the goals set by Argentine economic authorities, as detailed in the current program with the IMF.

As to the war and its effect of creating greater uncertainties and volatility, especially in two sensitive sectors such as energy and food, Minister Guzmán highlighted the current and potential contributions our country has made to food and energy security at a national, regional and global level.

Min. Martín Guzmán with Amb. Jorge Argüello (Center) at the headquarters of the Atlantic Council.



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Likewise, Minister Guzmán emphasized the active policies designed by the Argentine government that aim to encourage private investment, and valued the contribution of companies with US capital to generate employment and exports in Argentina.

The minister also made reference to the need to work together and build consensus with other countries of the international community, and in the G20 and other forums, to effectively address the challenges presented by this peculiar international situation.

In addition to the Atlantic Council members present at the meeting, leading companies from diverse sectors were invited, including transport, finance, banks, energy, information technology and technological services, among others. After the Minister's presentation, a very positive and constructive dialogue took place. ■



Seminar given by Wines of Argentina for importers, distributors and marketers of the wine industry.

MALBEC WORLD DAY IN WASHINGTON

To promote our wines, the Argentine Embassy in the United States, together with Wines of Argentina (WofA), and with the Argentine Ambassador Jorge Argüello, held two in-person events on April 21. These activities were organized for wine importers, distributors and retailers, including hotel and gastronomic entrepreneurs.

Ambassador Jorge Argüello highlighted that behind each one of the labels that we promote, there is an important and emblematic industry; there are investments and job creation, innovation, talent, and the revitalization of regional economies. Besides promoting this sector in such an important market, we are also showing what we are capable of as a country.

Veronica Kathuria, representative of WofA in the U.S. market, held a seminar/master class at 5:00 p.m. She

taught about the different wine regions in Argentina to 30 wine entrepreneurs from the Washington DC area. Six different labels were tasted that afternoon.

Later, a tasting of wines from 11 Argentine vineyards took place, each of which had their respective promotional displays and tables, along with their commercial representatives specialized in the United States market. In total, there were more than 50 different labels from different varietals.

Likewise, WofA and Globant designed a virtual reality platform on Argentine wines so that those present could enjoy them through this different sensory experience.

The United States is the main market for the fractioned national wine industry. Malbec wines are widely available,

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as well as other varieties such as Cabernet Sauvignon, Torrontés, Chardonnay, and Pinot Noir. The event aimed to highlight Malbec while also showing the wide diversity of varieties among our exportable offer in this sector -which widely transcends our most emblematic grape- in order to increase exports of the fractionated wine industry as a whole. ■