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The Minister of Development, Industry and Commerce (Mific), José de Jesús Bermúdez Carvajal said that the agreement with China is divided into two parts, the first of which is known as the “Early Harvest Agreement”.

Bermúdez explained that this agreement is to cover the goods that were intended for export to Taiwan. “In this Early Harvest Agreement approximately 90% of everything we exported to Taiwan is covered. The treatment that will be given to all those products is 0% in the People’s Republic of China. It includes the meat, the coffee, everything that we [regularly] exported to Taiwan”.

According to Bermúdez, the legal text has already been revised and finalized, so the signing is expected to take place during the month of June.

“And then each country will have to comply with the approval and ratification procedures in their respective legislatures

and at that point the instruments will be exchanged and enter into force. I would think that by the end of this year, the Early Harvest Agreement will enter into force,” he said.

“This treaty will be negotiated in parallel to the other early harvest agreement. We already have a proposal for a general framework for negotiations, which is a framework where the rules of the game of the two parties that are going to negotiate are fixed in order to be able to start negotiations. So, we are already engaged in this, we expect that, our goal is that the negotiation of the Free Trade Agreement will take a year, a year and a half maximum. So, this FTA, which is broader than the Early Harvest Agreement, will cover practically the entire tariff regime including different areas, such as intellectual property, environment, sanitary measures, etc., everything that a state-of-the-art FTA covers”, he said.

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Nicaragua and 7 other countries will join efforts to prevent and eliminate marine litter

7 June

In order to address the problem of plastic pollution in a coordinated and comprehensive manner, eight Latin American countries have joined forces to jointly develop the Marine Litter Action Plan for the Northeast Pacific 2022-2026, through an effective and sustainable proposal over time. Mexico, Guatemala, El Salvador, Honduras, Nicaragua, Costa Rica, Panama and Colombia are part of the initiative.

The oceans have become immense deposits of plastic waste. According to the United Nations Environment Program (UNEP), 80% of marine litter comes from land-based sources, mainly from plastics associated with food and beverage packaging.

The production and design of products with a high content of unnecessary or single-use plastic, accelerated consumption and inefficient waste management are some of the causes of this plastic epidemic, which has negative impacts on ecosystems, economies and human well-being.

The plan, jointly developed by representatives of the relevant national authorities of the eight countries of this sub-region, with the support of UNEP, as part of the work of the Global Partnership on Marine Litter, and the MarViva Foundation, analyzes the current situation of marine litter in the region, identifies gaps and opportunities for improvement, and generates recommendations around the prevention, reduction and proper management of marine litter.

“Despite the fact that the oceans are essential for the planet’s balance, coastal ecosystems are increasingly vulnerable as a result of human activities, mainly land-based activities that are the origin of 80% of marine litter. This is a global problem and, therefore, the only way to address it is with coordinated and far-reaching solutions,” stressed Jorge Jiménez, general director of Fundación MarViva.

FOR MORE INFORMATION SEE:

<https://radiolaprimerisima.com/noticias-generales/destacado/nicaragua-y-otros-7-paises-uniran-esfuerzos-para-prevenir-y-eliminar-la-basura-marina/>



Exports from different commercial ports increase

8 June

Exports made from different commercial ports of the country increased in the last week. The announcement was made this Wednesday by Virgilio Silva, president of the National Port Authority (known by its Spanish acronym, EPN).

The data is also supported by the Center for Export Procedures (CETREX), which announced on Tuesday that the closing of the fifth month of the year saw another strong boost in exports, with a 16.3 percent growth in the shipment of goods abroad.

Silva mentioned that 14 international vessels were served at commercial ports.

“In the port of Corinto, 11 international vessels were handled. Six containerships were handled, bringing import products in 847 containers, with tile, tire and textile products. In addition, 888 containers of exports with sugar, scrap iron, iron, coffee and peanuts were handled for a total of 2,809 teus containers, equivalent to 26,457 metric tons”, explained Virgilio Silva.

Silva emphasized that this is the first time that 1,300 new import vehicles have been handled, demonstrating that development in industry and commerce is on the move.



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INATEC will serve 2,000 people with disabilities

9 June

This year the National Technological Institute (INATEC) will train more than 2 thousand young people and adults with different disabilities, Deputy Technical Director of the National Technological Institute “Comandante Hugo Chávez”, William Campo Ruiz informed La Primerísima on Thursday.

He mentioned that courses on event decoration, elaboration of handicrafts in foami and courses on [computer] operating systems and office automation are being offered.

Campo Ruiz added that the idea is that people [with disabilities be able to] acquire knowledge and skills that will help them in their professional life.

FOR MORE INFORMATION SEE:

<https://radiolaprimerisima.com/noticias-generales/generales/inatec-atendera-a-2-mil-personas-con-discapacidad/>

NOTE:

The National Technological Institute - INATEC, known as the Tecnológico Nacional, is a Nicaraguan governmental institution which provides technical education and training, and comprises more than 45 technological centers located in all departments of Nicaragua.





Digital entrepreneurship will be promoted at the Youth Expo “Creative Minds”

10 June

On Friday, the 19th July Sandinista Youth and the Secretariat of Creative Economy launched the Youth Expo “Creative Minds”, with the aim of promoting digital entrepreneurship and multimedia content marketing.

This is an event aimed at facilitating more technological tools for entrepreneurs in Nicaragua said Guadalupe Padilla, national coordinator of the Sandinista Youth Network of Young Communicators.

“We want all entrepreneurs, all university students who are entrepreneurs to have more facilities to make use of digital tools, all the tools on how to add value to the product, which is very important,” she said.

She indicated that the convocation, which is open and free, will begin on Thursday, 16 June at the UNAN-Managua. You can register in advance on the social networks of the Network of Young Communicators or in person.

Sonia Porras, from the Secretariat of the Creative Economy, explained that this an initiative that responds to the Government’s policies that seek to promote entrepreneurialism.

“ This is a very important initiative that we have been carrying out from different institutions of our national commission and we are here supporting them in order to materialize the ideas and potential of our young people”, she affirmed.

The event will culminate on July 14 and then the experience is expected to be replicated in other departments.

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