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The commander-in-chief of the Nicaraguan Army, Army General Julio César Avilés Castillo; during the ceremony to commemorate the 43rd anniversary of the founding of the Nicaraguan Army Naval Force, observed that throughout its history the Navy has firmly contributed to defend the independence, sovereignty and integrity of the territory of our sovereign seas.

Army General Julio César Avilés Castillo began by sending greetings to Commander Daniel Ortega, Supreme Chief of the Nicaraguan Army, to Compañera Rosario Murillo, Comrade Abel Prieto, advisor to the President of Cuba and to the Cuban people with whom there is a historical and strengthened bond of friendship and cooperation. He also addressed the authorities presiding over this official ceremony and special guests.

"Brothers sailors, brothers all, today is a special day because with this ceremony we are commemorating the 43rd anniversary of the Nicaraguan Army Naval Force, a Naval Force founded on 13 August 1980 as the Sandinista Navy. Its founders were brothers in the struggle for the liberation of our homeland, who at the beginning of the triumph of the Revolution had joined our heroic Border Guard forces. The members of the Nicaraguan Army are proud to have these heroic brothers [and sisters] in arms who fulfill their missions and tasks, always in keeping with the welfare of all Nicaraguans," he recalled.

FOR MORE INFORMATION SEE:

<u>Fuerza Naval, 43 años contribuyendo firmemente en</u> defender la independencia y soberanía (el 19 digital.com)



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Dr. Luis Alfredo Lobato Blanco, vice rector general of the UNAN-Managua and director of the Miguel d'Escoto Brockmann House of Sovereignty, gave a lecture on Thursday morning, 17 August, called "The international projection of Augusto C. Sandino", within the framework of the sixth meeting of the Permanent Forum for the Defense of Sovereignty and Peace, promoted by this center for study, training and research.

During his lecture, the academic, who is also a renowned historian, referred to the Mexican and Soviet Revolutions and the struggle against U.S. imperialism as substantial elements for understanding the world context in which Sandino led the struggle for our sovereignty and to understand the political thought of General Sandino.

According to the speaker, Sandino, in his international role as a leader. links/contact with the different currents of socialism and communism. He had a concrete and direct relationship, example, with Hernán Laborde, who was the general secretary of the Mexican Communist Party and with members of the Communist International (Konmitern). "The context favored and promoted these types of relations and Sandino was always open to them," he said.

The lecturer said that Sandino, who was very knowledgeable of the Latin American, Mexican and Nicaraguan context, in particular, understood that the struggle he led could not be confined exclusively to the proletarian movement, but should also be accompanied by other social sectors.

FOR MORE INFORMATION SEE:

La Proyección internacional de Sandino, tema del sexto encuentro del Foro de la Defensa de la Soberanía - UNAN-Managua



National Council of Universities (CNU) approves the creation of the Casimiro Sotelo Montenegro National University

The National Council of Universities (CNU), rector of the higher education subsystem, in use of the faculties conferred by Law 89 and Law 1114 and its reform, agreed during its Ordinary Session N° 23-2023 of 17 August 2023, held at the UNA-Camoapa University Headquarters, to cancel the operating authorization of the Universidad Centroamericana (La UCA) in accordance with the provisions of the Nicaraguan State.

The National Council of Universities, to guarantee the educational continuity of undergraduate and graduate students, approved the creation of the Casimiro Sotelo Montenegro National University.

Likewise, it appointed the [new] authorities of the Rectorship: Rector Master Alejandro Enrique Genet Cruz; Vice Rector General Doctor Luz Marina Ortiz Narváez; Secretary General, Master Moisés Ignacio Palacios.

Given in the City of Camoapa, Boaco, on the 17th day of August of the year 2023.

FOR MORE INFORMATION SEE:

CNU aprueba la creación de la Universidad Nacional Casimiro Sotelo Montenegro (el19digital.com)



John Paul II highway expansion project to begin this Saturday

Vice President Rosario Murillo announced that this Saturday the Government of Nicaragua will begin work on the project to expand the Pista Juan Pablo II, slated to be one of the largest and most important construction projects in the history of [the city of] Managua.

"The expansion project of the Pista Juan Pablo II begins this Saturday, thanks to God, works that will begin with section 1 of the overpass of Nejapa to the traffic lights of Julio Martinez, section 4 from the traffic lights of Riguero to the traffic lights of La Robelo", she mentioned.

She added that "the modernization of the Pista San Juan Pablo II will take 3 years. It is almost 10 kilometers in 4 stretches. Tomorrow colleagues from the Mayor's Office of Managua will be presenting the details of this [important] project, as well as more information about its financing".

FOR MORE INFORMATION SEE:

<u>Iniciarán proyecto de ampliación de la Pista Juan Pablo</u> Il este sábado (el19digital.com)



Diplomatic Mission of Nicaragua in Beijing visits YUTONG Bus Factory

On 14 and 15 August, Compañeros Amaru Ramirez, Vice Minister of Transport and Infrastructure, and Danilo Sanchez, Leader of Transportation Cooperatives of Managua, together with the Diplomatic Mission of Nicaragua in Beijing, visited the YUTONG Bus Factory in Zhengzhou City, Henan Province, China.

The visit took place within the framework of the delivery of the first 500 units of buses in the months of October and November, which is part of the strategy of our Buen Gobierno [Good Governance] to strengthen the Collective Urban Transport of the City of Managua.

During the visit, the Partners supervised the construction of the units destined for Nicaragua, observing the state-of-the-art technology used by YUTONG in the manufacture of passenger buses of different range and size; microbuses; dump trucks; heavy-duty trucks, garbage collection and road-cleaning vehicles; electric and autonomous driving vehicles; which has allowed the Company to cover more than 40% of the bus market in China and more than 10% of the world market.

FOR MORE INFORMATION SEE:

Misión Diplomática de Nicaragua en Beijing visita Fábrica de Autobuses YUTONG (el19digital.com)

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