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CABEI renews loan to benefit Chontales producers

Monday, 18 July 2022

The Central American Bank for Economic Integration (CABEI, known popularly by its Spanish acronym as BCIE) recently renewed a US\$100,000 line of credit to the Caja Rural Regional R.L. Savings and Loan Cooperative (COOCARUR) to provide support to Nicaragua's production and livestock sectors.

Through the financing, a total of 15 small producers in the department of Chontales, who are members of COOCARUR, will be able to stimulate and strengthen their businesses, as well as invest in improving their farms.

"For 17 years we have supported strengthening production activities and invigorating the businesses of small producers in this part of Nicaragua, and we hope to continue achieving positive results with the renewal of this line of credit," said CABEI Executive President, Dr. Dante Mossi.

COOCARUR's President, Heberth González, said, "We would like to thank CABEI for the trust it has placed in us as a development bank and our perspective is to continue supporting this sector of the country, since the resources will be used primarily to enable producers to improve their marketing and farm infrastructure, as well as to introduce best practices.

This action forms part of the support facility for MSMEs (Micro, small and medium-sized enterprises) affected by COVID-19, implemented in all the countries of the region in order to assist their adaptation.



FOR MORE INFORMATION SEE:

<https://radiolaprimerisima.com/noticias-generales/destacado/bcie-renueva-credito-para-beneficiar-a-productores-de-chontales/>



A Revolution progressively gaining ground against poverty

Tuesday, 19 July 2022

Vice President Rosario Murillo said Tuesday night that Nicaraguans want to live without subjugation, because we are not slaves.

She recalled the triumph of the Revolution 43 years ago and before, because the heroism and sacrifices of heroes and martyrs, left us the duty to fight, to want and create a new homeland.

The leader affirmed that Nicaragua is a sovereign land, where heroes and martyrs gave their lives so that this country would no longer accept usurpers and invaders.

During the central act for the 43rd Anniversary of the Triumph of the Sandinista Popular Revolution, Rosario expressed that these are new times, but still times of struggle, brotherhood and coexistence.

Here they could not, and will not be able to! Here Sandino lives, here Zeledón lives, here is the soul of the thousands of Nicaraguans who 43 years ago welcomed the Triumph of the Revolution, she said.

The Vice President declared that we are not sell-outs and that we are not made for betrayal either. On the contrary, we are made of vigor and glory, she emphasized.

She expressed that our glorious flags fly proud and dignified in our sky and on our soil, where they are not stained and we do not allow them to be stained with the blood of our brothers.

Murillo pointed out that we are united, embraced, full of faith and full of confidence, because our struggle is permanent and the struggle continues, but victory is certain.

She assured that our glorious flags fly proud and dignified in our sky and on our soil, where they are not stained, and that we do not allow them to be stained with the blood of our brothers.

Rosario greeted all the national and international guests, including representatives from Russia, China, Cuba, Venezuela, among others.

We are honored to have with us Ralph Gonsalves, Prime Minister of St. Vincent and the Grenadines, who was decorated with the Order of Augusto Sandino in its highest degree.

FOR MORE INFORMATION SEE:

<https://radiolaprimerisima.com/noticias-generales/destacado/una-revolucion-en-progresivo-avance-contra-la-pobreza/>



Order of Augusto Sandino awarded to the Prime Minister of Saint Vincent and the Grenadines

Tuesday, 19 July 2022

The President of Nicaragua, Daniel Ortega presented the Order Augusto Sandino in its highest degree, Battle of San Jacinto, to Brother Ralph Gonsalves, Prime Minister of Saint Vincent and the Grenadines.

"We are delivering the Augusto Sandino Order in its highest degree to our dear comrade Ralph Gonsalves," said the Vice President of Nicaragua.

Rosario Murillo stressed that brother Ralph is a tireless anti-imperialist fighter who has dedicated his life to peace, in favor of peace, to work for peace, unity, integration and prosperity for the happiness of our Latin America and Caribbean in accordance with the supreme ideals of the free man and women of Nicaragua, Augusto Sandino.

She stated that "Ralph Gonsalves has unleashed the anti-colonial struggle of the peoples of the Caribbean by firmly demanding that colonial states recognize just reparations for the genocide of indigenous peoples and the consequences of slavery in the countries of the Caribbean community."

"Gonsalves has played a preponderant role in the construction of the Bolivarian alternative or Alliance of our America (ALBA); the Community of Latin American and Caribbean States (CELAC), Petrocaribe as a space of struggle and anti-imperialist union and strengthening of brotherhood and solidarity among our Latin-American and Caribbean peoples", emphasized the Vice President of Nicaragua.

She stressed that "the firm anti-imperialist vocation of Compañero Ralph reflects the spirit of the national hero of Saint Vincent, Joseph Chatoyer who rejected the chains of colonial oppression and inspired the struggle for freedom, dignity and justice of the Garifuna peoples of the Caribbean and Central America."

"Brother Ralph Gonsalves has been a loyal friend of the Nicaraguan people, conscious of the ideals of the Sandinista Popular Revolution and the untiring struggle of the Sandinista National Liberation Front for freedom, sovereignty, self-determination and independence," said vicepresident Rosario Murillo.

FOR MORE INFORMATION SEE:

<https://www.el19digital.com/articulos/ver/titulo:130434-orden-augusto-sandino-al-primer-ministro-de-san-vicente-y-las-granadinas>



President Daniel Ortega: Sandino's imprint is in the Nicaraguan people

Wednesday, 20 July 2022

In the framework of the 43rd Anniversary of the Sandinista People's Revolution, President Daniel Ortega, on behalf of the Nicaraguan people, presented the Order of Augusto Sandino in its highest grade, Battle of San Jacinto, to Brother Ralph Gonsalves, Prime Minister of Saint Vincent and the Grenadines.

At the beginning of his speech, President Ortega addressed the [Sandinista] youth: "It is five minutes to nine o'clock at night and the truth is that we have not felt the time, with the energy of this youth, with the strength of this youth, with the singing of this youth, with the heart of this youth, with the brilliance of this youth [...] That is the strength of Nicaragua. You represent the strength, the vitality of this country, of this nation".

Through you, dear young people, runs the blood of our Heroes".

Ortega also expressed the indissoluble link that unites the present generation with the heroic generations of Nicaragua's history: "Through you, dear young people, runs the blood of our heroes, the blood of Diriangén, the blood of Nicarao, the blood of the caciques, who resisted and died facing down the Spanish invaders. That blood is there. They killed them but they did not kill their spirit, they did not kill their soul. Their soul and spirit is here, in you, and in all of us".

The perversity of Yankee imperialism

President Ortega referred to the question posed by the Prime Minister of Saint Vincent and the Grenadines, Ralph Gonsalves, why the United States behaves the way they do, and referred to the exclusionary attitude adopted recently at the Summit of the Americas.

The President of Nicaragua emphasized that a certain attitude is typical of the North American rulers, but not of the people of the United States, "because when the atomic bomb was dropped on Hiroshima, the United States' people were not consulted on whether or not to drop the bomb".

Ortega emphasized the perversity of the empires and Yankee imperialism, in using a weapon of mass destruction, which took the lives of hundreds of thousands of citizens in a single blow. He reminded us that the city of Hiroshima was not a military target, because there were no Japanese troops there.

The battle for a multipolar world

Referring to the current international situation, he said that a global struggle is being waged to put an end to the hegemony

of imperialism and to install multipolarity on our planet. The battle being waged in Ukraine, he stated, is a battle in favor of multilateralism, a concept which the United States opposes.

He also recalled that, throughout history, colonial powers have subjugated other peoples through slavery, to the point that human beings from invaded and colonized peoples were bought and sold on the market like animals.

When you ask and wonder “Why not seek understanding?” The [US government] is not prepared to seek understanding, they are prepared only to impose, to occupy, to bomb, to assassinate, as they have done throughout history.

A brief tour through the history of Nicaragua Addressing brother Ralph Gonsalves, President Ortega set out to summarize the history of Nicaragua.

He recalled the invasion and bloody conquest, which resulted in the extermination of millions of human beings who belonged to the original peoples of Nuestramérica, [Our Americas] and emphasized that the genocide of the pre-Columbian populations took place with the "blessing" of the ecclesiastical hierarchies.

In this colonial context, he highlighted the example of Haiti, the first nation in Latin America and the Caribbean to become independent, through the struggle of the Haitian people, "a heroic, suffering, martyred people", who also unconditionally supported the Liberator Simon Bolivar.

He also recalled the adventurer and mercenary William Walker, who invaded Nicaragua, proclaimed himself president and, in command of the filibusters, had his sights set on expanding throughout Central America. Therefore, the neighboring countries joined Nicaragua, with the purpose of stopping Walker. The resistance wrote its heroic page in the Battle of San Jacinto, which President Daniel defined as "the first glorious battle that Nicaragua waged against Yankee expansionism and defeated it". In the context of that unequal combat, the soldier Andrés Castro, not having his rifle loaded, becomes a symbol of heroism, when he knocked down a filibuster with a rock.

The defeat of Walker and the filibusters, which culminated in their retreat, did not bring about the end of American interference, which, years later, at the end of the 19th century, organized the overthrow of President José Santos Zelaya, who had promoted the first liberal revolution in the history of Nicaragua, generating works of progress for Nicaragua and modernizing the state, from a nationalist perspective.

Benjamín Zeledón did not surrender

Nicaragua was left in a chaotic situation after the resignation of General Zelaya, who left the country. In this scenario, President Daniel commented, Benjamin Zeledon emerged and fought against the turncoat forces that had participated in the overthrow of Zelaya. Benjamín Zeledón fought in the area of Cerro Coyotepe: he did not surrender and sacrificed his life. He wrote a letter to his wife, expressing that he could not surrender, because it would be a bad example for the people and for the country.

On his birthday, October 4, 1912, General Benjamin Zeledon was assassinated by Yankee troops. His corpse was desecrated to instill fear in the people.

Sandino's imprint is in the Nicaraguan people

President Daniel recalled that Sandino made his appearance in the history of Nicaragua with his refusal to sign the Espino Negro Pact on May 4, 1927, National Dignity Day.

Sandino, who did not surrender his weapons, was left with only mine workers, peasants, "all together they numbered only thirty, and that was the beginning of Sandino's struggle against the most powerful troops on the planet" and for the first time the Yankees used the air force to bomb Sandino's positions.

Time went by and [the US] could not defeat him, so they had no other option but to withdraw from Nicaragua. The President recalled that the defeat suffered by the Yankee army in Nicaragua was on a par with another great historical defeat, the one suffered by the US army in Vietnam.

One year after the expulsion of the Yankee troops from Nicaragua, General Sandino was treacherously assassinated by Somoza. By disappearing Sandino's remains, Somoza showed that "he did not want to leave any trace of Sandino, because he knew what Sandino meant and he thought that, if he left traces of Sandino, the Sandinista struggle would continue. Somoza never imagined that Sandino's imprint had already left its mark in the Nicaraguan people, and would remain

there and will always stay in the Nicaraguan people".

The President also expressed that the United States never stopped supporting the Somoza dynasty politically and militarily. He also mentioned Comandante Che Guevara, paraphrasing a well-known speech of the heroic guerrilla, when he affirmed that imperialism cannot be believed "not even the tiniest little bit, because it will finish you off. We would like to have good relations with the United States, but it is impossible". Dialogue would represent "putting the noose around our necks".

Recognizing Solidarity Hero Brian Willson

In the last part of his speech, President Ortega referred to the hero of solidarity, Brian Willson, a US citizen and veteran of the Vietnam War. Upon his return, [Brian] realized that the Vietnam war was unjust and he became aware of the wars that the United States was promoting in Central America, in El Salvador and Nicaragua.

He recalled that Brian Willson lost his legs, lying on the rails, in an attempt to stop, in a peaceful action, a train carrying weapons destined for the Nicaraguan Contras.

He recognized his heroism and fortitude, affirming that comrade Willson "has not stopped fighting and like him I am sure there are thousands of North Americans, who have good souls, who are North Americans, children of God and not the devil, like those who live attacking our peoples".

Greetings to the internationalists and delegations from friendly countries

In closing, President Daniel thanked the internationalists of different nationalities for their presence and thanked them for the greetings that Nicaragua has been receiving during these days. He recalled the contribution of the internationalist fighters in the framework of the Final Offensive.

He also greeted the Prime Minister of Cuba and the Foreign Minister of Venezuela who participated in the event and requested that, as members of ALBA, on behalf of ALBA, this 43rd Anniversary of the Sandinista Popular Revolution be dedicated to brother Ralph Gonsalves.

The event closed in a pleasant and festive atmosphere, full of emotion and enthusiasm.

FOR MORE INFORMATION SEE:

<https://diariobarricada.com/2022/07/20/comandante-daniel-ortega-la-huella-de-sandino-esta-en-el-pueblo-nicaraguense/>



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Nicaragua to implement equitable microcredit program

Thursday, 21 July 2022

On Thursday the Vice President of Nicaragua, Rosario Murillo, announced that a program to provide socially equitable microcredits to producers of food and other life essentials in rural and urban areas is almost finalized.

The program, which seeks to contribute effectively to production, will be called Adelante (or "Moving Forward").

"To further the objectives of improving production results, the latest version of the equitable financing program for production, entrepreneurship and small businesses in urban areas and in the countryside is being analyzed, and is nearly approved. The program, called Adelante, will provide ongoing support to food producers and for other life essential products", she explained.

"We are prepared tomorrow for a session of the National System of Production, Consumption and Trade, that system that meets every Friday to discuss a precise agenda on how to improve in all fields and aspects and how to support us more as food producers, which have such importance, which is security, which is the right of the people and is of great value during these times of so much selfishness, because

those who insist on generating conflict to increase [their] profits, those who insist on continuing through greed and their desire to rule the world, they need to know that our peoples will fight to succeed and that we the peoples are working hard, and that we the people have that horizon towards which we are advancing, one of light, life and truth, in the words of our General Sandino", she added.

She said that "[we are] producing food, working the land and thriving because we are always mindful about how to do things better and how to achieve the best possible results for all of us who constitute the majority in Nicaragua, as producers of foods for life".

FOR MORE INFORMATION SEE:

[https://diariobarricada.com/2022/07/21/nicaragua-
implementara-programa-de-microcreditos-justos/](https://diariobarricada.com/2022/07/21/nicaragua-implementara-programa-de-microcreditos-justos/)



Nicaragua participates in Climate Week for Latin America and the Caribbean

Friday, 22 July 2022

Nicaragua is participating in the "Climate Week" for Latin America and the Caribbean, which is taking place from 18 to 22 July 2022 in the Dominican Republic, organized by the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC) with the objective of promoting and exchanging climate actions among countries to reduce the impacts of the climate crisis.

The opening ceremony was attended by Mr. Luis Abinader, President of the Dominican Republic and the Deputy Executive Secretary of the UNFCCC, Mr. Ovais Sarmad.

In addition, more than 2,000 people from the scientific community, private sector, and [leading] authorities on Climate Change in Latin America and the Caribbean participated in the event.

Nicaragua was represented by the Secretary of Climate Change of the Presidency, Javier Gutiérrez, who participated as a guest on different panels in his capacity as Vice President and Member of the Finance Committee of the UNFCCC. Gutierrez emphasized the call of Science for Western countries to urgently reduce emissions by 50% by 2030, in keeping with their historical responsibilities, focusing attention on the particular risks that Latin America and the Caribbean face from the impacts of the Climate Crisis.

Likewise, Compañero Gutiérrez expressed the fraternal and solidarity greetings of Nicaraguan President Daniel Ortega Saavedra and Vice President Rosario Murillo Zambrana, and, in celebration of the 43/19th anniversary of our Sandinista Revolution, reaffirmed our willingness to continue collaborating with the peoples of Latin America and the Caribbean.

FOR MORE INFORMATION SEE:

<https://diariobarricada.com/2022/07/22/nicaragua-presente-en-la-semana-del-clima-para-america-latina-y-caribe/>

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