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25 April

The Foreign Minister of Nicaragua, Denis Moncada assured that the decision of the Government of National Reconciliation and Unity to leave the Organization of American States (OAS) is a sound, correct and coherent decision.

During an interview this past Monday with TV journalist Alberto Mora, Minister Moncada stated:

"We are now facing the sound, correct and coherent decision of the Government of President Ortega. That is to say, as a first step, we renounced the OAS Charter in November 2021 and in accordance with the OAS Charter, this will formally be completed in November 2023. But the OAS persists in a policy of interference, aggression, and as an instrument of the United States, precisely to devise its strategy of domination, including coups [regime change]."

Moncada pointed out that in the last two decades in Latin America there have been at least 10 coups in which the OAS served as an agent of the United States, including coups in Venezuela, Haiti, Honduras and Paraguay, as well as attempted coups in Ecuador, Bolivia and Nicaragua.

The OAS, which "theoretically was supposed to establish good relations between countries, peace, tranquility, stability, cooperation for economic development, for education, does exactly the opposite", he remarked.

"That is why the decision, in view of this ongoing aggression and the permanent struggle of our Government, we are saying, 'Sirs, neither theoretically nor in accordance with the Charter, are you supposed to intervene, but rather, just the opposite. So why do you continue to serve in the miserable role as an agent of the United States, including the many countries that [today] have become subjects of the United States'." Moncada said.

FOR MORE INFORMATION SEE:

https://diariobarricada.com/canciller-aseguraque-decision-de-nicaragua-de-abandonar-la-oeaes-acertada-y-coherente/



Nicaragua: The economy continues to grow, reports Central Bank of Nicaragua

26 April

The Central Bank of Nicaragua published this Tuesday the "Monthly Index of Economic Activity (known by its Spanish acronym IMAE)" corresponding to the month of February 2022, whose result indicates that the economic activity maintained its growth trend, although at a lower rate than the previous month, when registering in the original series of the IMAE a growth of 4.7 percent with respect to February 2021, of 6.1 percent in the accumulated January-February and of 11.0 percent in annual average.

The BCN points out that, in the original series of the IMAE, the activities that showed the highest growth were: mining and quarrying, 22.7 percent; hotels and restaurants, 20.5 percent; energy and water, 9.3 percent; commerce, 6.5 percent; financial intermediation and related services, 5.7 percent; construction, 4.0 percent; other services, 2.6 percent; and manufacturing industry, 2.7 percent. Fishing and aquaculture, -8.8 percent; and livestock, -1.0 percent, decreased.

In primary activities, the performance in mining and quarrying was due to the increased extraction of metallic and nonmetallic products; in fishing and aquaculture, it was due to decreases in shrimp and lobster; in agriculture, there was increased work and production in coffee, sugar cane and basic grains; in forestry and timber extraction due to an increase in the extraction of wood logs and firewood; and in livestock, cattle and poultry slaughtering decreased.

The Central Bank of Nicaragua also published today the "Total External Debt Report" (public + private) corresponding to December 2021, which indicates that the balance was 14,372.4 million dollars, of which 7,805.9 million dollars correspond to the public sector and 6,566.5 million dollars to the private sector.

FOR MORE INFORMATION SEE:

https://radiolaprimerisima.com/noticiasgenerales/generales/sigue-creciendo-la-economiainforma-bcn/



Nicaragua and China strengthen cooperation with housing program

27 April

On 27 April, Vice President Rosario Murillo announced that the Government of Nicaragua will sign an economic and technical cooperation agreement with the People's Republic of China to implement a housing development program.

"This is the first part, the first phase, of financing for housing. It is part of the aid programs of the Chinese International Agency for Development (...) through a virtual signature. The Minister of Finance and Public Credit, Iván Acosta will sign on behalf of Nicaragua", said the Vice President.

"The first phase of this program is 400 million Chinese yuan, equivalent to more than 60 million dollars for housing," she added.

She indicated that the representative of the Embassy of the People's Republic of China in Nicaragua, Counselor Yu Bo and the

Presidential Advisor for Investment, Trade and International Cooperation, Laureano Ortega, will also participate in the signing.

"We are signing a program, a project to develop housing which will soon begin all over the country."

She affirmed that the signing of the agreement is "the fruit of those ties of cooperation, our identification with a better world and [a demonstration] that fraternity and solidarity still prevail in the world despite aggressions and powers; that fraternity, that solidarity prevails in the world ...and that with that fraternity and solidarity, and that will for peace and good, we are moving forward".

FOR MORE INFORMATION SEE:

https://diariobarricada.com/nicaragua-y-china-fortalecen-lazos-de-cooperacion-con-programa-de-viviendas/



Nicaragua: Computer School Inaugurated in Mayangna Native Community

28 April

On 27 April, the Españolina Community of the Municipality of Bonanza in the North Caribbean of Nicaragua inaugurated the First Computer School of the Mayangna Indigenous People and the second at the national level, constituting two firsts at the Central American level for indigenous peoples of the Caribbean.

The Inauguration began with inhabitants of the La Españolina Community of the Mayangna territory, Sauni Arungka Matumbak, together with territorial, municipal, regional authorities and the Association of Popular Education "Carlos Fonseca Amador" walking along the main street of the community and culminated with a ceremony at the Computer School.

During the ceremony, the President of the Territorial Government Mayangna Sauni Arunka, Mr. Mario Peralta said, "We thank our President of Nicaragua, Daniel Ortega and the Vice President Rosario Murillo because they are constantly concerned that Education reaches even the most distant communities."

For his part, teacher Mr. Pineda, President of the Association of Popular Education "Carlos Fonseca Amador", stressed the importance of the ownership by the Mayangna people in these types of projects. "This type of work is for the development of our native peoples and is a reality under the current government of Nicaragua. That is why it is important that the Mayangna people take advantage and that this work among native peoples may serve as an example to the world [...]", he said.

The School has 11 computer workstations valued at approximately 8 thousand dollars and 60 participants are expected to graduate as Certified Communication Operators by the National Autonomous University of Managua by the year 2022. The classes will be taught free of charge by engineers and computer graduates from UNAN-MANAGUA.

FOR MORE INFORMATION SEE:

https://www.el19digital.com/articulos/ver/titulo:1 27571-inauguran-escuela-de-computacion-en-pueblo-originario-mayangna



Nicaragua will pay tribute to Comandante Tomás Borge in allegiance to revolutionary principles

29 April

Vice President Rosario Murillo emphasized that April 30th is the tenth anniversary of the passing to immortality of Commander Tomás Borge, founding member of the Sandinista National Liberation Front (FSLN), and affirmed that Nicaragua will pay tribute to him out of commitment and loyalty to revolutionary principles.

She also sent greetings to the entire family of Comandante Tomás Borge.

"We will be with Daniel paying tribute to him in unwavering commitment to the victories of our people; in unwavering commitment of loyalty, conscience, coherence, that is how we will do it. We do not want to say how he was, but how we remember Tomás and live his legacy; through loyalty to revolutionary principles and values, of love of country, of loyalty, of conscience", she stressed.

"Traitors never. Tomás despised traitors, as we ourselves despise them; traitors to themselves in the first place; traitors to the patria... [how] painful for themselves, to have stained their record with treason to the homeland... but they are very few, thank God, and the greatness of our national heroes, of our Commander Carlos, Tomás, the greatness of the General of free men and women, outshine all that wickedness", she asserted.

"Tomorrow we will be celebrating the workers, in days of commitment and victories... We will be there in the afternoon, with Tomás, with our heroes, celebrating each other; celebrating life, harmony and victories", she concluded.

FOR MORE INFORMATION SEE:

https://diariobarricada.com/nicaragua-rendira-homenaje-al-comandante-tomas-borge-con-lealtad-a-los-principios-revolucionarios/





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