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INFORMATION BULLETIN

July 13 - 14, 2016 - Asunción, Paraguay

THIRD MEETING OF MINISTERS AND HIGH AUTHORITIES OF SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT

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AND OTHER DOCUMENTS AT:

http://socialprotectionet.org/events/third-meeting-ministers-and-high-authorities-social-development-0?_ga=1.36160224.1708845991.1463369592

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The THIRD MEETING OF MINISTERS AND HIGH AUTHORITIES OF SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT will be held on July 13-14, 2016 in Asunción, Paraguay. The sessions will take place in the:

Granados Park hotel

Estrella Esq. 15 de Agosto, Asunción, 1224, Paraguay

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Transportation

All participants will be responsible for booking their own round-trip flight reservations to Asuncion, Paraguay.

The Government of Paraguay will provide all official delegations transportation from the Silvio Pettirossi International Airport (code: ASU) to the hotel venue on July 11 and back to the airport from the hotel on July 14 to 17.

We ask all delegations to provide their hotel and flight information prior to June 30, 2016 at the following accreditation link:

<http://legacy.mre.gov.py/acreditaciones>.

If your delegation should choose to make its own transportation arrangements, we recommend using the hired taxi services found at the following website: <http://www.taxiparaguay.com>, or by emailing contacto@taxiparaguay.com. The Silvio Pettirossi International Airport is located 18 kilometers, or approximately 1 hour, from the hotel venue.

Visas

To enter Paraguay, you must have a valid passport. Citizens of Argentina, Brazil, Bolivia, Venezuela, Uruguay, and Chile may enter with their national identification document.

Paraguay has the following visa waiver agreements:

Visa Waiver Agreements

<http://www.mre.gov.py/v2/Contenido/351/acuerdo-de-supresion-de-visas>

For delegations requiring visas, please contact the embassy or consulate, using the following links:

Paraguayan Embassies Abroad

<http://www.mre.gov.py/v2/Representaciones/Embajadas>

Paraguayan Consulates Abroad

<http://www.mre.gov.py/v2/Representaciones/Consulados>

To facilitate the visa process for participants requiring a visa and do not have an Embassy in their country, the Government of Paraguay will grant the visa upon arrival at the Silvio Pettirossi International Airport. The requirements for requesting a visa are as follows:

- a) Valid passport.
- b) Payment of the relevant fee.



ACCOMMODATIONS

All reservations must be made individually and directly with the hotel of your choice. Any reservation cancellation or change will be subject to the current hotel rules and policies. The hotel bill must be paid directly by each participant at the end of your stay. Below is a list of hotels close to the hotel venue, at which we have obtained a preferential rate for our event participants:



HOTEL VENUE
Hotel GRANADOS PARK
 Basic Single Queen Junior Suite USD 100
 Basic Double Queen USD 110
 Matrimonial King Junior USD 120
 Luxury Suite USD 160

Executive Suite USD 170
 Premium Suite USD 250
 Presidential Suite USD 400
 Add 10% VAT to all rates offered
 reservas@granadospark.com.py
www.granadospark.com.py



Hotel LAS MARGARITAS
 Standard USD 78,20.
 Junior Suite USD 89

In front of the hotel venue
 informaciones@lasmargaritas.com.py
www.lasmargaritas.com.py



Hotel GUARANÍ
 Simple USD 88
 Simple Superior USD 103
 Suite USD 147

500 Mts of hotel venue
 reservas@guaraniesplendor.com
www.hotelguarani.com.py

Otros Hoteles



Hotel HUB
 Doble USD 99
 Gold Suite USD 130

6,6 km of hotel venue
 reservas@hubhotel.com.py
www.hubhotel.com.py



Hotel LA MISIÓN
 Excutive Standard
 doble o simple USD 167

6,7 km of hotel venue
 Dreservas@lamision.com.py
www.lamision.com.py



Hotel IBIS
 Standard Single o Doble USD 92

7,9 Km of hotel venue
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OFFICIAL RECEPTION

Minister Héctor Cárdenas, Executive Secretary for Social Action, will offer a courtesy reception for the delegations the evening of Wednesday, July 13, 2016 at the hotel venue. You must present your accreditation badge/invitation to gain entrance.

EXPERT PRESENTATION

In order to facilitate the work dynamic and exchange of information among all attendees, please send your Power Point presentation before June 30, 2016 to iiiremdessas@gmail.com. Please also send a word document of no more than 3-4 pages summarizing the main points of your presentation and a brief biography (120 words).

LANGUAGES AND WORKING DOCUMENTS

The plenary of the THIRD MEETING OF MINISTERS AND HIGH AUTHORITIES OF SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT will be held in the four official languages of the OAS: Spanish, English, French, and Portuguese. Simultaneous interpretation will be provided in all four languages during the plenary sessions and simultaneous interpretation in English and Spanish will be provided in group sessions. Working documents will be available in the four languages at the following link: <http://socialprotectionet.org/events/third-meeting-ministers-and-high-authorities-social-development-0>.

COUNTRY EXPERIENCE PRESENTATION

The instructions may be found in the following link: http://socialprotectionet.org/sites/default/files/convocatoria_a_presentacion_de_experiencias_de_paises_ing.pdf

The THIRD MEETING OF MINISTERS AND HIGH AUTHORITIES OF SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT will be held according to environmentally-friendly standards. Printed copies of the working documents will not be distributed.



ACCREDITATION AND PARTICIPANT REGISTRATION

The delegations, bodies, and organizations of the inter-American system, permanent observers, other observers, and special guests must complete the registration form on the virtual site no later than June 30 the link:

<http://legacy.mre.gov.py/acreditaciones>.

Credentials will be available Tuesday, July 12 from 9 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. at the hotel venue. All participants must present an official photo ID, such as a passport, to receive their credentials. For security purposes, all participants must wear their credentials to all sessions.

Internet Access

The hotel venue will offer a business center for delegates with computers and internet access. Wi-Fi internet will also be available in the plenary hall for the Ministerial Meeting.

Security

The National Police of Paraguay will provide security services for meeting days at the hotel venue. Private security will also be provided at the hotel venue.

Meals

The Government of Paraguay will provide lunch and a coffee and water service throughout the day on July 13 and 14 at the hotel venue for the III REMDES Meeting.

Medical Services

Medical care will be available for unexpected out-patient situations in the hotel venue during meeting days. Neither the Organization of American States nor the Government of Paraguay will be liable for any accident, sickness, or travel complications. We advise participants to take due precautions by purchasing travel insurance.



INFORMATION OF INTEREST

Weather

Maximum temperature for July: 19 C / 66 F
Minimum temperature for July: 11 C / 52 F

We recommend you plan for the higher temperatures, given the tropical climate and the effects of El Niño. The historic maximum average temperature for this time of year is 25 C (77 F) and the average minimum is 12 C (54 F).

The event venue will have air conditioning and heating, with an average temperature set at 20 C (68 F).

Currency

The official currency is the "Guaraní." We recommend you exchange currency in formal establishments like banks or foreign exchange houses.

US Dollar \$1 = 5.450 Gs.

Electricity



Voltage: 220 V
Frequency: 50 Hz
Plug: Type C

Useful Telephone Information

International calls:

00 is the most common prefix to make international calls, but if you are calling from the United States or Canada, you should dial 011, instead of 00

Paraguay country code: 595

Asuncion prefix: 21

Phone numbers in Asuncion are 6 digits

Call format: Outgoing prefix

+ 595 + 21 + --- ---

EMERGENCY TELEPHONE NUMBERS

National Police Directory. COMMAND

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Phone: + (595) 21 445-858 / + (595) 21 441-355

Emergency: 911

Fire Department: 131

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TOURIST ACTIVITIES

ASUNCION, MOTHER OF CITIES

Asuncion was founded as a fort on August 15, 1537 by Juan de Salazar de Espinoza and quickly became the “Amparo y Reparación de la Conquista” (Refuge and Reparation from the Conquest), because it was the hub where the conquistadores departed on their quest for gold and silver in Upper Peru. It is also known as the Mother of Cities because expeditions left from there during the second founding of Buenos Aires and other population centers like Corrientes, Santa Cruz de la Sierra, Santa Fe, Villarrica, and Jerez y Concepción del Río Bermejo. Another title Asuncion earned was the Cradle of the Liberation of the Americas because it was the site and origin of the Revolution of the Comuneros, which occurred long before the French Revolution.

The capital of Paraguay, Asuncion, is situated on rolling landscape identified by its seven hills, which often mark the boundaries between the various neighborhoods. Its highest point does not exceed 120 meters above sea level and it measures 117 km² in surface area. According to the last census, the capital population is 512,000 inhabitants; although including peripheral cities (Greater Asuncion), the population exceeds one million.

Prior to the War of the Triple Alliance (1864-1870), Asuncion saw rapid architectural progress. However, it was occupied and plundered during and after the war and its development was stymied. This before and after can still be observed in the architectural contrasts that define the city's skyline.

Today, Asuncion is a welcoming city, painted bright in the spring with lapacho and jacaranda flowers. It awakens nostalgia with its jasmine and orange blossoms, its old buildings and modern towers, neighborhood warehouses and surprising shopping malls, modest inns and brilliant hotels, typical cuisine and international gastronomy, craftwork, melodious native Guaraní language, romantic nights and refined shows, all serving to impregnate the visitor's mood with authentic pleasure.

Basic Asuncion Guide

https://issuu.com/jbproducciones/docs/quick_noviembre_2015

Travel Guide Paraguay

http://www.senatur.gov.py/images/stories/FINAL_GUIA_DEL_TURISTA.pdf



Spot Live Paraguayan Culture

<https://www.dropbox.com/s/1xkh937ylm6u379/PATRIMONIO%20TV%20HD%20MASTER.mov?dl=0>