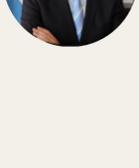




Message from the Secretary



One of the main missions of the Secretariat of Malvinas, Antarctica and the South Atlantic is to raise awareness about the bicontinental and oceanic nature of our national territory. Throughout July we have carried out this task with special effort given the commemoration of the month of Argentine Interests in the Sea, a special occasion in which we have addressed the maritime issue with a multidimensional and multidisciplinary approach, considering that our sea occupies an enormous area in the South Atlantic, both in the American and in the Antarctic continent, which includes not only the water column, but also the vast Argentine continental shelf. On July 16, by law 25,860, the Day of Argentine Interests in the Sea was established, in fair tribute to Admiral Segundo Storni, pioneer of Argentine maritime development. Paying attention to and becoming aware of the richness of our seas and the extensive continental shelf, and the importance that these spaces have for national development, requires us to build State policies, as a way of exercising our sovereign rights over what represents a fundamental part of the national territory. Protecting our maritime interests means especially monitoring and controlling our waters to eliminate illegal fishing and unauthorized hydrocarbon activities, continue to strengthen marine scientific research, promote productive industries linked to the sector, expand and renew the national fishing fleet, deepen conservation and the sustainable management of existing resources, expand the National System of Marine Protected Areas and meet the goals of the Pampa Azul initiative, among other tasks that we must sustain over time with a long-term vision. The Malvinas Question, a transversal axis of our foreign policy, also poses diplomatic and legal challenges of particular complexity. The unilateral actions of the United Kingdom, which illegally occupies a large and rich part of our territory, is a threat to the conservation and sustainable use of our marine resources, especially fisheries, as a consequence of the presence of fishing fleet with illegal licenses, an illicit activity that is being addressed with strategic, coordinated and comprehensive policies by the Argentine government. During the month of Argentine Interests in the Sea, the words of Vice Admiral Segundo Storni remain valid: "The sea will be for the Nation, the vehicle and support of its fortune and its glory". In the actions we carry out, we feel committed to honoring his legacy.

**Guillermo Carmona**  
Secretary of Malvinas, Antarctica and the South Atlantic

News of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs

**Day of Argentine Interests in the Sea**

July 16 was established as the Day of Argentine Interests in the Sea by Law 25,860, in tribute to the birth of Admiral Segundo Storni, who promoted the debate over the importance of establishing State policies around the issues of the sea and shipping activity.



Highlights



**Agreement between the Secretariat of Malvinas and the Association of Journalists of the Argentine Republic (APERA) for collaboration and reciprocal assistance**

Within the framework of the "Malvinas 40 Years" Agenda, the Secretariat headed by Ambassador Guillermo Carmona and the entity led by Fernando Ramírez celebrated the signing of an agreement to deepen the joint work to increase the visibility of the sovereign rights of Argentina over the Malvinas, South Georgias and South Sandwich Islands and the corresponding maritime and insular areas.

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**New awards of medals to veterans**

During the month of July, events were held in the towns of Marcos Paz (Buenos Aires province), Margarita Belén and Resistencia (Chaco province). The commemorations, which have taken place throughout 2022, are held in the context of the "Malvinas 40 Years" Agenda and their recipients are veterans and relatives of the fallen in the South Atlantic conflict.

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**Meeting of the Malvinas Council**

On July 7, a new meeting of the Malvinas Council was held. On that occasion, the results of the last session of the United Nations Special Committee on Decolonization were analyzed, and a series of activities were reviewed, including the participation of the Council in the "Malvinas 40 Years" Agenda. Additionally, the implications of the new bill on mandatory, periodic and permanent training on the Malvinas Question for public officials of the three powers of the State were addressed.

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**The seminar "The Question of the Malvinas Islands: a comprehensive approach" began at the National Foreign Service Institute**

With the presence of the Secretary of Malvinas, Antarctica and the South Atlantic, Guillermo Carmona, and the Director of the National Foreign Service Institute, Eduardo Demayo, the seminar for ISEN students began on July 14. The aim of this course is to promote the study, debate and full understanding of the Malvinas Question, as well as Antarctica and the South Atlantic, in all its complexity, from different disciplines and approaches.



**The seminar "Status of the situation of fisheries in the South Atlantic" was held in the Foreign Ministry**

In the month of Argentine interests in the sea, the Secretariat of Malvinas, Antarctica and the South Atlantic organized a meeting in which several specialists on the subject spoke. There were panels on scientific research in the conservation and sustainable use of fisheries, and management and control of fishing in Argentine maritime spaces.

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**Distribution of the bicontinental map at the National Agricultural Technology Institute (INTA)**

The Secretary of Malvinas, Antarctica and the South Atlantic delivered bicontinental maps to the president of the entity, Mariano Garmendia, to be distributed at the experimental stations of INTA agencies across the country. The distribution of these maps takes place within the framework of Law 26,651 of 2010, which establishes the obligation to use the Argentine Bicontinental Map at all levels and modalities of the educational system and to display it in all national and provincial agencies.



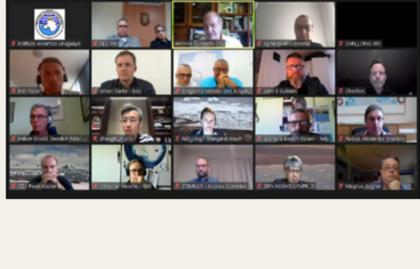
**Cycle "Malvinas Unites Us" on Public TV**

Public television broadcasted the third program in a series of debate and reflection meetings on the Malvinas Question 40 years after the South Atlantic conflict. The third panel included the participation of the Secretary of Malvinas Guillermo Carmona, the Director of the Malvinas Museum Edgardo Esteban, Argentina's ambassador to Chile and former Foreign Minister Rafael Bielsa, and the researcher Sonia Winer. The theme of the meeting was diplomacy, geopolitics and integration.

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**Antarctica: active participation of Argentina in COMNAP**

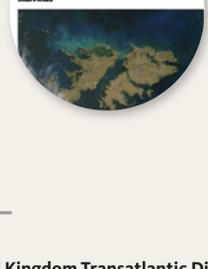
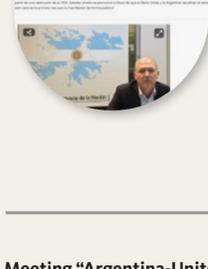
On July 27 Argentina participated in the Council of Managers of National Antarctic Programs (COMNAP) Annual General Meeting XXXVI, whose purpose is to develop and promote best practices in the management of support for scientific research in Antarctica. The plenary, held virtually, was attended by the National Antarctic Director and Vice President of the Executive Committee of the organization, Patricia Ortúzar, and the Head of the Argentine Antarctic Institute, Walter Mac Cormack.



Agenda

- AUGUST 16**  
**OFFICIAL VISIT OF THE SECRETARY TO BRAZIL**
- AUGUST 23**  
**OFFICIAL VISIT OF THE SECRETARY TO CHILE**
- AUGUST 29**  
**OFFICIAL VISIT OF THE SECRETARY TO URUGUAY**
- AUGUST 30**  
**ANNIVERSARY OF THE ASSUMPTION OF LUIS VERNET IN THE POLITICAL AND MILITARY COMMANDANCY FOR THE MALVINAS ISLANDS**

Press



Activities at embassies and consulates

**Meeting "Argentina-United Kingdom Transatlantic Dialogues: Malvinas 40 years later" in London**

In the context of the "Malvinas 40 Years" Agenda, the Director of the Malvinas Museum and veteran Edgardo Esteban shared with leading British and Argentine academics a meeting organized by the University of Nottingham and the Argentine embassy in the United Kingdom. "For us, the Malvinas cause, from north to south and from east to west, is full of morals, squares, monoliths, schools, streets, as the northers said, it is part of our identity. Here there is not even a statue, there is nothing, the islands have no meaning. The British gaze is empty of Malvinas and we are full of Malvinas", expressed Esteban.

