

U.S. CBP Commissioner first work tour

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Institutional Context

The Commissioner of U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) is a leadership position that oversees 60,000 employees, manages a budget of over \$15 billion, and ensures the effective operations of CBP's mission to protect national security while promoting economic prosperity. The Commissioner directs CBP's three core missions, counterterrorism, border security, and trade enforcement, while facilitating \$4 trillion in trade and facilitating travel of over 410 million people through ports of entry. The Commissioner oversees the largest law enforcement agency and the second-largest revenue-collecting source in the federal government.

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On March 22, the American delegation led by the newly appointed commissioner of the CBP, Chris Magnus, visited Mexico City. Magnus chaired this meeting along with Ambassador Ken Salazar. The meeting was held at the Foreign Ministry, and the delegations discussed the priorities to advance the work to modernize border infrastructure, deal with human trafficking, as well as to attend to migratory flows. Delegates agreed on the importance of continuing to work under cooperation frameworks, such as the Bicentennial Framework and the High-Level Economic Dialogue (HLED). In addition, they agreed that it is necessary to build regional agreements towards an orderly, safe and regular migration in the face of the current influx that the current geopolitical context has triggered.

The Mexican delegation, led by Chief Officer for North America Velasco, was made up of Legal Consultant Alejandro Celorio; the General Director of Consular Services, Jaime Vázquez Bracho Torres; Ambassador Aurenay Aguirre; the Director of North American Border Affairs, Pablo Gálvez de Yturbe; the Director of Regional Migration in Latin America, Marco Antonio Fraire; and the Director of Litigation, Wilma Gandoy.

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<https://www.gob.mx/sre/prensa/jefe-de-unidad-para-america-del-norte-recibe-en-su-primera-gira-de-trabajo-al-comisionado-de-cbp-de-estados-unidos?idiom=es>



The United States delegation, led by Commissioner Magnus, was made up of the United States Ambassador to Mexico, Ken Salazar; CBP Deputy Commissioner Debbie Seguin; and by Advisers to the Commissioner, Andrew Hinojosa and James Tingle.

