

Argentina National Day Special

Economic partnership continues to develop

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On May 25, as we commemorate the 215th anniversary of Argentina's first step toward independence, we celebrate not only our nation's history, but also the enduring friendship between

Argentina and Japan. This special date gives us the perfect opportunity to reflect on how far our bilateral relationship has come and the bright future lying ahead.

The ties between our nations run deep, dating back to the early 20th century when the first Japanese immigrants arrived in Argentina. Today, that historical connection has blossomed into a multifaceted partnership encompassing diplomacy,



Gaucha traditions, outfits, food and folklore can be found throughout the country.

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trade, culture and innovation. In Japan, the Argentine community keeps growing stronger, serving as a living bridge between our cultures.

Each year, our National Day celebrations in Tokyo become a vibrant meeting point where Argentines and Japanese come together as friends. These gatherings, filled with the flavors of our cuisine, the rhythm of our music and the warmth of our traditions, perfectly illustrate the mutual affection between our peoples. It's particularly moving to see how Japanese friends have embraced Argentine culture — from the passion of tango to the camaraderie of sharing a cup of mate.

Our economic partnership continues to flourish. Argentina remains a trusted supplier of high-quality agricultural products to Japan, including beef, soybeans and corn, that have become staples in Japanese households. In return, Japanese technology and innovation play a crucial role in Argentina's development. The recent expansion of our trade into new areas like renewable energy, lithium extraction and hydrogen technology shows how our economic ties are evolving to meet the challenges of the 21st century.

The human connections between our countries might be our greatest asset. Our working holiday programs have enabled thousands of young people from both nations to experience each other's cultures firsthand. Our academic exchanges continue to produce valuable knowledge and lasting friendships. It's heartwarming to see how Argentine football stars are celebrated



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in Japan, just as Japanese anime and cuisine have found a special place in Argentine hearts.

As we look to the future, I'm particularly excited about the growing cooperation in science and technology. Japanese companies are showing increasing interest in Argentina's vast potential in renewable energy and critical minerals. At the same time, Argentine creativity and talent are contributing to joint projects in fields ranging from biotechnology to space research.

This May 25, as we proudly raise the Argentine flag, we also celebrate the flag of our friendship with Japan. The values we share — respect for tradition combined with enthusiasm for innovation, and a

commitment to hard work balanced with appreciation for life's pleasures — continue to bring us closer together.

In these challenging times for the global community, the Argentina-Japan partnership stands as an example of how nations can work together for mutual benefit. Whether through official diplomacy, business collaborations or simple human connections, every day we find new ways to strengthen our bond.

To my fellow Argentines in Japan, to our Japanese friends who have made us feel at home and to everyone who contributes to our special relationship, may this friendship continue to grow stronger with each passing year!

Business ties poised to expand

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On behalf of the Japan-Argentina Business Cooperation Committee, I am delighted to extend my warmest congratulations to the government and people of the Argentine Republic

as the country celebrates its National Day.

Argentina and Japan are strategic partners that share common values and principles. Our countries have great potential to further develop bilateral economic rela-

tions in many areas, including agriculture, energy and mineral resources.

Given this context, the recent efforts made by the government with the aim of stabilizing the economy and the introduction of the Incentive Regime for Large Investments last year are encouraging measures that will allow us to consider the development of new businesses and investment opportunities in Argentina.

Regarding our bilateral relations, we anticipate the early conclusion of the Agreement for the Promotion and Protection of Investment, as well as the Tax Convention.

Indeed, as JABCC chairman, I will continue to do my utmost to further enhance and strengthen the business relations between our countries.

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to the People of
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on the Anniversary of
Their National Day

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