



**LXVIII ORDINARY MEETING
OF THE COMMON MARKET COUNCIL (CMC)**

— ◆ AND ◆ —

**SUMMIT OF HEADS OF STATE
OF MERCOSUR AND ASSOCIATED STATES**

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I. INTRODUCTION

This Operational Manual provides a preliminary summary of the key information regarding the organization and scheduled events for the LXVIII Ordinary Meeting of the Common Market Council (CMC) and the Summit of Heads of State of MERCOSUR and Associated States, to be held in the city of Asunción on June 29 and 30, 2026.

It addresses aspects such as the program schedule, accreditation procedures, courtesies extended, and the logistical arrangements available to the participating delegations.

Furthermore, it provides the contact details of the various coordination committees established for delegation assistance, as well as the links for the corresponding accreditations.

II. NATIONAL AUTHORITIES

PARAGUAYAN MERCOSUR AUTHORITIES

His Excellency **Santiago Peña Palacios**
President of the Republic of Paraguay

His Excellency Ambassador **Rubén Ramírez Lezcano**
Minister of Foreign Affairs
National Coordinator of the Common Market Council (CMC)

His Excellency **Óscar Lovera**
Minister of Economy and Finance

His Excellency **Marco Riquelme**
Minister of Industry and Commerce

His Excellency **Carlos Carvalho**
President of the Central Bank of Paraguay

Ambassador **Patricia Frutos**
Vice Minister of Economic Relations and Integration
National Coordinator of the Common Market Group (GMC)

Ambassador **Didier César Olmedo**
Permanent Representative of Paraguay to ALADI and MERCOSUR

Ambassador **Víctor Verdún**
National Coordinator of the Structural Convergence Fund of MERCOSUR (FCCP)

Minister **Nimia Da Silva**
Alternate National Coordinator of the Structural Convergence Fund of MERCOSUR (FCCP)

Minister **Alberto Caballero**
National Coordinator of the MERCOSUR Commerce Commission (CCM) and Alternate Coordinator of the Common Market Group (GMC)

Minister **Sebastián Ortiz**
Alternate National Coordinator of the MERCOSUR Commerce Commission (CCM)

**III. ORGANIZING COMMITTEE FOR THE EVENTS OF THE LXVIII ORDINARY
MEETING OF THE COMMON MARKET COUNCIL AND SUMMIT OF HEADS OF STATE
OF MERCOSUR AND ASSOCIATED STATES**

General Coordination:	Minister Lucas Strubing Minister Fernando Fronciani
Executive Coordination:	Mag. Rolando Mendoza Director (AAT) Alice Ramírez
Administration and Finance Coordination:	Minister César Ibarrola Minister (AAT) Martín Cubilla
General Secretariat:	Ms. Ercilia Giménez First Officer Juan Haseitel
Security Coordination:	LTC (GS) Abilio Javier Jiménez Arriola Presidential Escort Regiment Inspector Officer (MGAP) Alfonso Romero Noguera National Police Command
Protocol Coordination:	Director (AAT) Claudia Sosa
Diplomatic Liaison Coordination:	Minister Reinaldo Cubilla
Accreditation Coordination:	Director (AAT) Erinaldo Vera Second Officer (AAT) Sven Knutson
Airport Coordination:	Ms. Jazmín Lezcano Director (AAT) Maximiliano Torres
Accommodation Coordination:	Dra. Alicia Álvarez Alvarenga
Transportation Coordination:	Director (AAT) Roberto Krauer Director (AAT) Roberto Villar
Health Coordination:	Dr. Gustavo Ortiz
Press Coordination:	Mr. Guillermo Grance , Bachelor Ms. Lilian Quiñonez , Bachelor
Infrastructure Coordination:	Assistant (AAT) Daniel Barreto
IT Coordination:	Eng. Katiana Leguizamón Minister (AAT) Marcos Acosta
Administrative Coordination:	Director (AAT) Fernando Machado
Bilateral Meetings Coordination:	First Officer (AAT) María Mercedes Bordón

IV. VENUE OF THE MEETING

The LXVIII Ordinary Meeting of the Common Market Council (CMC) and the Summit of Heads of State of MERCOSUR and Associated States will take place at the CONMEBOL Convention Center, located on Sudamericana Avenue, City of Luque.



V. DRAFT PROGRAM

Friday, June 26

- 09:00 – 13:00 **XLVII Extraordinary Meeting of the MERCOSUR Commerce Commission (CCM)**
Venue: Bourbon Hotel – "América I" Hall.
Chair: Ambassador **Alberto Caballero Gennari**, National Coordinator of the CCM.
Participants: National Coordinators and technical delegations.
- 13:00 Luncheon hosted by the National Coordinator of the FCCP,
 Ambassador **Víctor Verdún**
Venue: Bourbon Hotel.
- 09:00 – 18:00 **CXXV Ordinary Meeting of the Political Consultation and Coordination Forum (FCCP)**
Venue: Rio Bourbon Hotel.
Chair: Ambassador **Víctor Verdún**, National Coordinator of the FCCP.
Participants: National Coordinators and technical delegations.

Saturday, June 27

- 09:00 – 13:00 **Political Consultation and Coordination Forum (FCCP)**
Venue: Rio Bourbon Hotel.
Chair: Ambassador **Víctor Verdún**, National Coordinator of the FCCP.
Participants: National Coordinators and technical delegations.
- 15:00 – 18:00 **Meeting of the Common Market Group (GMC)**
Venue: Rio Bourbon Hotel.
Chair: Ambassador Patricia Frutos, National Coordinator of the GMC.
Participants: National Coordinators and technical delegations.

Sunday, June 28

- 09:00 – 13:00 **Meeting of the Common Market Group (GMC)**
Venue: Rio Bourbon Hotel – "Recopa" Hall.
Chair: Ambassador **Patricia Frutos**, National Coordinator of the GMC.
Participants: National Coordinators and technical delegations.
- 13:00 Luncheon hosted by the National Coordinator of the GMC,
 Ambassador **Patricia Frutos**
Venue: Bourbon Hotel.
- 15:00 – 18:00 **Meeting of the Common Market Group (GMC)**
Venue: Rio Bourbon Hotel – "Recopa" Hall.
Chair: Ambassador **Patricia Frutos**, National Coordinator of the GMC.
Participants: National Coordinators and technical delegations.

20:00 Dinner hosted by the Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Paraguay, Rubén Ramírez Lezcano, in honor of the Ministers of Foreign Affairs of the MERCOSUR State Parties.

Venue: To be confirmed (TBC).

Participants: Ministers of Foreign Affairs of the MERCOSUR State Parties.

Access: By invitation only.

Monday, June 29

Time to be confirmed (TBC). **Meeting of Ministers of Economy and Central Bank Presidents**

Venue: Bourbon Hotel – "FIFA" Hall.

Chair: Minister of Economy and Finance of Paraguay, and the President of the Central Bank of Paraguay.

Participants: Ministers of Economy, Central Bank Presidents of MERCOSUR, and technical delegations.

Access: By invitation only.

10:00 – 12:00 **LXVIII Ordinary Meeting of the MERCOSUR Common Market Council (CMC) - Session of the MERCOSUR State Parties.**

- Opening.
- Report by the National Coordinator of the GMC.
- Remarks by the Minister of Foreign Affairs of Paraguay.
- Interventions.

Venue: Plenary Hall.

Chair: Minister of Foreign Affairs of Paraguay, Ambassador **Rubén Ramírez Lezcano.**

Participants: Ministers of Foreign Affairs, Ministers of Economy, National Coordinators of the MERCOSUR CMC, and technical delegations.

Access: Lapel pin holders / Floating interchangeable passes.

12:10 **Official Photo**

Venue: Foyer of the CONMEBOL Convention Center.

12:30 **Luncheon hosted by the Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Paraguay, Ambassador Rubén Ramírez Lezcano, in honor of the members of the MERCOSUR Common Market Council and Associated States.**

Venue: "9 de Julio" Hall, CONMEBOL Convention Center.

Access: By invitation only.

14:30 – 17:00 **LXVIII Ordinary Meeting of the MERCOSUR Common Market Council (CMC) - Session of MERCOSUR State Parties and Associated States.**

- Opening.
- Report by the National Coordinator of the FCCP.
- Remarks by the Minister of Foreign Affairs of Paraguay.
- Interventions.

- Approval of the Joint Communiqués of the Heads of State, Special Declarations, and other documents.

Venue: Plenary Hall.

Chair: Minister of Foreign Affairs of Paraguay, Ambassador **Rubén Ramírez Lezcano**.

Participants: Ministers of Foreign Affairs, National Coordinators of the GMC, National Coordinators of the MERCOSUR FCCP and Associated States, and technical delegations.

Access: Lapel pin holders / Floating interchangeable passes.

Arrival of the Heads of State of MERCOSUR and Associated States.

Tuesday, June 30

09:00 **Arrival of the Heads of State at the CONMEBOL Convention Center**

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Plenary Session of the Presidents of the MERCOSUR State Parties

Official Photo

Venue: Plenary Hall.

13:30 **Luncheon hosted by His Excellency the President of the Republic of Paraguay, Santiago Peña Palacios, in honor of the Heads of State Parties, Associated States, and special guests participating in the MERCOSUR Summit.**

Participants: Ministers of Foreign Affairs, National Coordinators of the GMC, National Coordinators of the MERCOSUR FCCP and Associated States, and technical delegations.

Venue: "9 de Julio" Hall, CONMEBOL Convention Center.

Access: By invitation only.

VI. DIPLOMATIC ATTACHÉS / LIAISONS

The Organizing Committee will appoint Diplomatic Liaisons to accompany and assist delegations during the LXVIII Ordinary Meeting of the Common Market Council (CMC) and the Summit of Heads of State Parties and Associated States of MERCOSUR.

The Diplomatic Liaison will serve as the primary link between each foreign delegation and the Organizing Committee. They will provide assistance regarding personal and vehicle accreditations, accommodation arrangements, bilateral meetings, airport arrival and departure information, and protocol matters.

Each foreign delegation shall designate an official to act as a focal point, with whom the appointed liaisons will coordinate the aforementioned aspects.

Contact:

Diplomatic Liaison Coordination: Minister **Reinaldo Cubilla**
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BILATERAL MEETINGS

Delegations participating in the LXVIII Ordinary Meeting of the Common Market Council (CMC) and the Summit of Heads of State Parties and Associated States of MERCOSUR may request bilateral meetings with their counterparts.

For this purpose, a formal request note from the requesting country must be scanned in PDF format and sent to the following email addresses: pptp2026@mre.gov.py and coord.bilaterales@mre.gov.py

Contacts:

Bilateral Meetings Coordination: First Officer (A.A.T.) **María Mercedes Bordón**
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VII. ACCREDITATIONS

An accreditation scheme will be implemented for the identification and access control of Foreign Delegation members to the venue facilities of the LXVIII Ordinary Meeting of the Common Market Council (CMC) and Summit of Heads of State Parties and Associated States of MERCOSUR.

Access to the airport, hotels, and event venues will be restricted. Only accredited individuals carrying the required enabling credentials, issued specifically for this purpose, will be permitted entry.

Due to space limitations at the event venues, attendance quotas will be allocated to each delegation.

Credentials must be worn visibly at all times during all activities and must be presented upon request by security personnel.

Accreditation Procedures

Participating delegates must register online by completing the corresponding form available on the official portal of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs: <https://www.mre.gov.py/acreditaciones/>

The application must be accompanied by a digital photograph in JPG format (up to 1.5 MB), passport-size (4x4 cm), and validated via an official diplomatic note signed by the Head of the respective Diplomatic Mission.

Online accreditations may be submitted until June 25, 2026

Classification of Accreditations

Accreditations for Foreign Delegations will be classified according to the following categories:

- Official Delegation
- Support Staff
- Security
- Official Press
- Press

Badges and Access Control

Heads of State, Ministers of Foreign Affairs, and Ministers of Economy (or their equivalents) will receive special identification badges (lapel pins).

National Coordinators, Heads of Protocol, and Heads of Security will receive lapel pins. Along with their respective credentials and interchangeable passes, these pins will grant them access to the official event sites.

More restricted access will be established for the following areas:

Heads of State VIP Lounge: Access is restricted to Heads of State and Ministers of Foreign Affairs (holders of gold and silver lapel pins).

Plenary Hall: Access will be granted to all holders of enabling lapel pins and floating interchangeable passes.

Credentials, lapel pins, and floating interchangeable passes will be delivered by the diplomatic liaison assigned to each delegation.

Contacts:

Accreditation Coordination:

Director (AAT) **Ernaldo Vera**

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acreditaciones@mre.gov.py

VIII. AIRPORT

In order to properly coordinate receptions and departures, details regarding flight itineraries for participating foreign authorities must be sent to the following email addresses: pptp2026@mre.gov.py and pptp-aeropuerto@mre.gov.py. This applies to both private and commercial flights, and notifications must be addressed to the General Secretariat and the Airport Coordination of the Organizing Committee for the events of the LXVIII Ordinary Meeting of the Common Market Council and Summit of Heads of State of MERCOSUR and Associated States.

Delegations arriving on private flights must state so in the overflight permit application, along with any required airport service needs. Furthermore, they must complete the standard overflight and landing permit procedures well in advance through the coordination office's email addresses.

Each delegation must designate an accredited official to manage documentation and luggage processing. This official will be assisted by Airport Coordination personnel and will benefit from the facilities provided by the National Directorate of Civil Aviation (DINAC), the National Directorate of Tax Revenues (DNIT) - General Customs Management, and the National Directorate of Migration.

Please be reminded that current regulations in the Republic of Paraguay strictly prohibit the entry of hazardous substances, plants, animals, products, and by-products. Additionally, current health regulations for entering the country must be observed, specifically the International Certificate of Vaccination against Yellow Fever, which is mandatory for individuals arriving from Bolivia, Brazil, Colombia, Guyana, and Peru. Further details can be found at the following link: <https://dgvs.mspbs.gov.py/salud-del-viajero/requisitos-para-ingresar-a-paraguay/>

Visa On Arrival

Accredited delegates and other participants attending the “LXVII MERCOSUR Summit and Ordinary Meeting of the Common Market Council”, to be held in Paraguay in June 2026, may apply for an Arrival Visa under the visa facilitation arrangements established for this event.

Procedure:

1. Complete all required fields in the online visa application form.
<https://www.mre.gov.py/visaslinea/requisitos/lxvii-2026>
2. Once your application has been reviewed and processed, you will receive an Electronic Authorization for the Issuance of a Visa on Arrival at the email address provided.
3. With this authorization, you may travel to the Republic of Paraguay.
4. A complimentary Visa on Arrival will be stamped in your passport at the Silvio Pettirossi International Airport upon your arrival in the country.

Requirements and supporting documents:

- Passport must have a minimum validity of six (6) months at the time of entry into Paraguay.
- Recent digital photograph with white background (face covering 70–80% of the image).
- Color image of the passport's biographical data page.
- Accreditation to participate in the event (invitation letter / confirmation / designation).

- Flight reservation.

Note:

Personal data entered in the online visa application system will be treated confidentially and used exclusively for the visa issuance process, within the framework of the LXVII MERCOSUR Summit and Ordinary Meeting of the Common Market Council.

Do you need a visa?

Before starting your application, please verify whether your nationality requires a visa to enter Paraguay, as nationals of visa-exempt countries are not required to complete this procedure: <https://www.mre.gov.py/requisitos-de-visa-por-paises/>

Arrivals

Arrival of Heads of State on Private Flights

Venue: Presidential Wing (*Espigón Presidencial*) of the "Silvio Pettirossi" International Airport.

Received by: National Authority.

Note: Only duly accredited officials and vehicles will be permitted access to the Presidential Wing (*Espigón Presidencial*) area.
Quota: 2 officials per delegation + 2 support staff, 1 VIP vehicle + 3 support vehicles.

Honor Guard (*Cordón de Honor*)

When the aircraft of the visiting Head of State is close to landing, members of the respective Diplomatic Mission will be invited to line up at the end of the carpet, taking their positions in order of precedence for the welcoming greeting.

The presidential aircraft will come to a stop at the beginning of the designated carpet. Prior to the disembarkation of the Head of State, members of the press accompanying the official delegation will exit. Guided by staff from the Press Coordination, they will be escorted to their specially assigned areas to capture the arrival media.

The visiting Head of State will be received at the foot of the aircraft stairs by a National Authority of the Republic of Paraguay.

Immediately following a bugle call, the designated National Authority will accompany the visiting Head of State down the center of the Honor Guard to the end of the carpet, where the leader will receive greetings from the members of the corresponding Diplomatic Mission.

Should the visiting Head of State wish to do so, they may briefly address members of the accredited press. A specific area will be arranged for this purpose.

The Head of State will then proceed to the Presidential Lounge and, upon exiting, will board the assigned vehicle within the presidential motorcade capsule to be escorted to their hotel accommodation.

In cases where the presidential aircraft exceed the operational capacity of the Presidential Wing apron, the Heads of State will be received at the central commercial apron of the "Silvio Pettirossi" International Airport and transferred to the Presidential Wing using the same protocol procedure established for commercial flight arrivals.

Arrival of Heads of State on Commercial Flights

Venue: Apron of the "Silvio Pettirossi" International Airport and subsequent transfer to the Presidential Wing.

Received by: National Authority.

Only duly accredited officials and vehicles will be permitted access to the Presidential Pavilion (*Pabellón Presidencial*) area.

Quota: 2 officials per delegation + 2 support staff, 1 VIP vehicle + 3 support vehicles.

Heads of State arriving on commercial flights will be met at the aircraft door (the airport passenger boarding bridge) by a designated National Authority and the Head of the Diplomatic Mission, who will invite them and their delegation to descend to the tarmac to board the vehicles arranged for their transfer to the Presidential Wing.

Upon arrival at the Presidential Wing, the vehicle carrying the Head of State will stop at the head of the designated carpet. From that moment onward, the exact same welcoming ceremony established for Heads of State arriving on private flights will take place.

Arrival of Ministers and Special Guests

Venue: Commercial Area of the "Silvio Pettirossi" International Airport.

Received by: National Authority.

Accredited officials designated for this purpose (1 official per delegation + 1 support staff) will be permitted access to the restricted zone of the Commercial Area at the "Silvio Pettirossi" International Airport.

They will be received at the disembarkation area by the designated National Authority and the Head of the respective Diplomatic Mission, who will escort them to the VIP Lounge of the airport's Commercial Area. Once customs and immigration clearances are completed, they will be conducted to the vehicles assigned for transfer to their hotels.

Each delegation must designate a duly accredited official to manage documentation and luggage. This official will be assisted by Airport Coordination staff and will utilize the facilities enabled by DINAC, Customs, and Migration.

Departures

Departure of Heads of State and Official Delegations

Venue: Presidential Wing (Espigón Presidencial) of the "Silvio Pettirossi" International Airport.

Departure schedules for Heads of State on private flights will be coordinated with the Airport Coordination office, in accordance with the time the requests are formally submitted.

Luggage and documentation for the Heads of State and their delegations must be transported to the "Silvio Pettirossi" International Airport well in advance of the scheduled departure times—particularly for commercial flights—to expedite check-in and boarding procedures.

The departure ceremony for Heads of State, for both private and commercial flights, will take place at the Presidential Wing following the same routine as the arrival, but in reverse order, and with the same level of attending high authorities.

Departure of Ministers and Special Guests

Venue: Commercial Area of the "Silvio Pettirossi" International Airport.

Departures will take place in the Commercial Area of the "Silvio Pettirossi" International Airport, following the same routine as the arrival, but in reverse order, and with the same level of attending authorities.

Contacts:

Airport Coordination: Ms. **Jazmín Lezcano**
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Director (A.A.T.) **Maximiliano Torres**
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Email: pptp-aeropuerto@mre.gov.py

IX. ACCOMMODATION

The Government of the Republic of Paraguay will cover the following lodging expenses for each of the authorities according to the following breakdown:

- **Heads of State:** One suite (1 night; incidental/additional expenses are not included).
- **Ministers of Foreign Affairs:** One room (2 nights; incidental/additional expenses are not included).
- **National Coordinators of States Parties :** One room (3 nights; incidental/additional expenses are not included).

Suggested Hotels

The *Gran Bourbon Hotel Asunción* and *Rio Hotel by Bourbon Luque | Asunción* offer special discounted rates for attendees.

Heads of State and Ministers of Foreign Affairs:

In order to facilitate accommodation coordination, we kindly request you to complete the personal information form available at the following link:

<https://forms.gle/tmGtDnLPRUjFQmVT8>

The Accommodation Coordination team will contact the delegation to coordinate the available rooms and hotels based on your specific requirements.

Delegations:

All room reservations must be made independently by each delegation or by the Diplomatic Missions accredited to the Government of Paraguay. An allocation of 8 (eight) rooms per delegation has been planned.

These reservations must be reported in the participant registration form: <https://www.mre.gov.py/pptp/> in order to ensure better coordination for the assistance of the representatives of the various attending delegations, as well as for transportation and security coverage.

Contacts:

Accommodation Coordination:

Dra. **Alicia Álvarez Alvarenga**

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X. TRANSPORTATION

On the occasion of the LXVIII Ordinary Meeting of the Common Market Council (CMC) and the Summit of Heads of State Parties and Associated States of MERCOSUR, security checkpoints will be established around the perimeters of the venues and areas designated for official activities. Access to these zones will be strictly restricted to duly accredited vehicles and individuals carrying their respective credentials.

All vehicles assigned to activities related to the Meeting must carry the accreditation issued by the Transportation Coordination office.

Delegations requiring the accreditation of vehicles in addition to those provided by the event organization may request it, up to a maximum of three (3) vehicles per Delegation, by entering the required data into the form available on the website <https://www.mre.gov.py/pptp/>

This request must be supported by an official diplomatic note signed by the Head of the respective Diplomatic Mission.

Online accreditations may be submitted from June 10 until June 25, 2026.

Courtesies Extended by the Paraguayan Government

The National Government will grant the following courtesies regarding the transportation of the main attending authorities to the LXVIII Ordinary Meeting of the Common Market Council (CMC) and Summit of Heads of State Parties and Associated States of MERCOSUR:

- 1 automobile for Heads of State.
- 1 automobile for Ministers of Foreign Affairs.

Additionally, security motorcade escorts will be provided for the transit of the President and Foreign Authorities.

The movements of the Heads of State will be carried out under a transit security scheme implemented by the Presidential Escort Regiment, which will include motorcycle escorts, security and emergency vehicles, and route protection.

Furthermore, Ministers and Special Guests will be provided with a security escort managed by the National Police.

Contacts:

Transportation Coordination:

Director (AAT) **Roberto Krauer**

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Director (AAT) **Roberto Villar**

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XI. SECURITY

The security of the authorities, facilities, and activities related to the LXVIII Ordinary Meeting of the Common Market Council (CMC) and the Summit of Heads of State Parties and Associated States of MERCOSUR will be managed by the Security Operations Command (COSEG), which is composed of the Armed Forces of the Nation and the National Police of the Republic of Paraguay.

Access to the event venue, designated hotels, the airport, and other sites where official activities take place will be subject to strict security measures. These spaces will undergo technical inspections and security sweeps prior to the event, as well as permanent monitoring throughout its duration.

Furthermore, security measures will be deployed within the facilities and along their perimeters, including access control, constant surveillance, preventive patrols, electronic monitoring, and immediate response capabilities for any incidents that may affect the safety of the participating authorities.

Admission to the designated areas and establishments is strictly contingent upon holding the corresponding accreditation. The issuance of credentials and passes will be supervised and controlled by the Presidential Escort Regiment and the National Police, in coordination with the Ministry of Foreign Affairs.

Each Head of State will be assigned a Head of Security and a dedicated security motorcade escort for their movements, consisting of security vehicles, motorcycles, as well as support and emergency units.

Ministers of Foreign Affairs of the State Parties, Associated States, and Special Guests will receive security escort services provided by the National Police.

- **Foreign Security Personnel**

Official Delegations must submit the list of security personnel accompanying their dignitaries to the Secretariat General of the Organizing Committee for their respective accreditation.

- **Weapons and Firearms**

The entry of firearms (specifying Make, Model, Caliber, and Serial Number) will be permitted, provided that formal requests are submitted to the Secretariat General at least 72 hours prior to entry into the country.

- **Communication Equipment**

The entry of portable mobile, fixed, and mobile repeater equipment will be permitted. Operating VHF and UHF frequencies will be assigned to these devices upon prior submission of formal requests.

Contacts:

Security Coordination:

LTC (GS) **Abilio Jiménez**

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Inspector Officer (MGAP) **Mario Romero**

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XII. HEALTH

A special medical coverage plan will be implemented for the health and safety of the authorities and delegates participating in the LXVIII Ordinary Meeting of the Common Market Council (CMC) and the Summit of Heads of State Parties and Associated States of MERCOSUR.

Health coverage will include medical units deployed at the venues where the event activities take place, as well as medical escorts during the transits of the Heads of State.

All activities included in the official program will be provided with independent ambulance units staffed by personnel trained in rescue, stabilization, and emergency transport. The Ministry of Public Health and Social Welfare holds overall responsibility for this medical operation.

It is highly recommended to submit a medical profile containing relevant health requirements for each participating Head of State of the Summit Meeting to ensure appropriate preparedness and treatment. This information will be treated with strict confidentiality.

A 24/7 Emergency Hotline for the National Epidemiology Center (CNE) will be established at +595 984 691 009 to report any events that could potentially cause outbreaks or epidemics. Email: dqvs.sala@gmail.com (Epidemiological Surveillance).

Contacts:

Health Coordination:

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XIII. PRESS

National and international press members interested in covering the **LXVIII Ordinary Meeting of the Common Market Council (CMC) and Heads of State of MERCOSUR Member and Associate States** must request accreditation from the Press Coordination team. Applicants must fill out the form with all required information on the official website: mre.gov.py.

To complete the process, an official request letter from the media outlet must be scanned in PDF format and attached to the online form for validation.

Official photographers and cameramen for the Heads of State must specify their status on the forms, which must be validated by an official note from the Chief of the corresponding Diplomatic Mission.

The accreditation period will be open from June 9 to June 19.

International Press Center

An International Press Center (IPC) will be set up at the CONMEBOL Convention Center to assist national and international media. This space will provide all necessary facilities for news coverage.

The International Press Center operating hours will be:

From June 25, from 08:00 to 17:00 h.

The center will feature spaces for press conferences, multimedia broadcasting, technical equipment, and official audio and video signal distribution. It will also be fully branded with the event's identity and feature live screens broadcasting the activities.

Event Broadcast

The event will be live-streamed via youtube.com (https://www.youtube.com/@mre_paraguay) and the official MERCOSUR portal. Additionally, information, photographs, and audiovisual materials will be shared through the official WhatsApp Channel: <https://whatsapp.com/channel/0029VbCmVsH4IBhGqDvPER0X>.

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