



EMBAJADA DE LOS ESTADOS UNIDOS EN ARGENTINA

LETTER OF INTENT BETWEEN THE EMBASSY OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA IN THE ARGENTINE REPUBLIC and THE PUBLIC PROSECUTION SERVICE OF THE AUTONOMOUS CITY OF BUENOS AIRES

In the Autonomous City of Buenos Aires, on May 7th, 2024, Marc STANLEY, in his capacity as **Ambassador of the United States of America to the Argentine Republic**, and Juan Bautista MAHIQUES, in his capacity of Head of the **Public Prosecution Service of the Autonomous City of Buenos Aires**, hereinafter referred to as “MPF CABA”, jointly referred to as the “Participants”, sign this Letter of Intention, hereinafter referred to as the “Letter”.

1.- Homeland Security Investigations (HSI) developed “Project iGuardian” as its primary outreach mechanism to inform students, parents, educators, and law enforcement about the risks that children face in the online environment. Project iGuardian covers:

- tactics used by adult predators online,
- the growing crime of sextortion,
- the information devices give away about their users, and
- trends within social networks, games and apps children use.

It includes example scenarios based on adjudicated investigations to help attendees better understand how children can be victimized online. Project iGuardian is an effective and proactive way of better protecting our communities from crimes against children.

2.- MPF CABA has performed actions towards its institutional positioning, focusing specially on strengthening ties with the community through the implementation of



policies to ensure access to rights and their effective enforcement, and the sustained development of social responsibility measures.

3.- In recent years, MPF CABA has developed a scheme of lectures and workshops for civil society organizations related to the institutional mission of the organization, and primary and secondary educational establishments. They are aimed at improving the knowledge of citizens in general, and children and teenagers in particular, regarding the role and functions of MPF CABA and the access to rights.

4.- In particular, the actions performed in educational sectors have occurred within the framework of the “MPF+CERCA” activity. Such actions have been duly adapted for the age group they are aimed at. They are directed towards generating spaces for public debate on rights and the value of justice, and promoting an environment for reflection, awareness and discussion on issues of interest and social impact.

5.- Based on the above, the Participants deem it appropriate to promote the articulation of the modalities implemented by each organization, in order to foster integration standards and generate cooperation ties that the Participants expect to benefit citizens. Moreover, this effort is expected to complement reactive approaches to investigate and arrest those perpetrating crimes against children by proactively educating our communities to better address the threats children face in the online environment.

Therefore, the Participants consider it appropriate to sign this Letter, with the purpose of committing to incorporating the topics addressed by the Project iGuardian to the activities developed by MPF CABA, through the MPF+CERCA activities at schools.

For this purpose, the Participants intend to integrate an interjurisdictional working group, through the representatives that each one designates. Its operating guidelines are expected to be drafted by its own members.



In this sense, the Participants designate an institutional representative, who intends to act as an inter-institutional intermediary, in order to schedule, guide and coordinate the activities derived from this Letter.

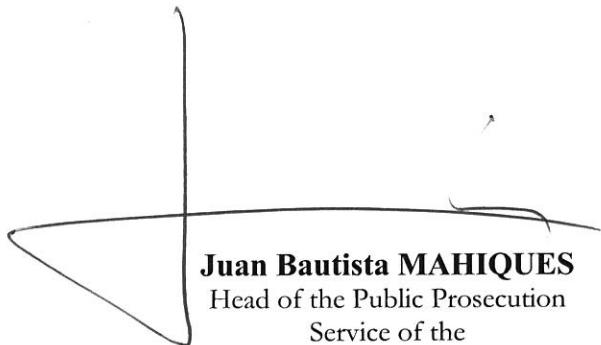
In this act, the Embassy of the United States of America in the Argentine Republic (“Embassy”) designates christian.j.ammons@hs.dhs.gov (institutional email address) as institutional representative, and MPF CABA designates the Secretary General of Institutional Relations (relacionesinstitucionales@fiscalias.gob.ar) as institutional representative.

Furthermore, the Participants may replace their respective representatives upon prior written reliable notification to the other party.

Signed, in duplicate, at Buenos Aires on May 7th, 2024, in the English and Spanish languages, each being equally valid.



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