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## **BILATERAL RELATIONS WITH ARGENTINA, PARAGUAY AND URUGUAY UNDER THE NEW GEOPOLITICAL REALITY: accomplishments and perspectives**

*— Your Excellency, in your previous interview for the 2023 edition of the Diplomatic Ukraine scientific yearbook, you described in detail the main objectives of the Embassy of Ukraine in Argentina, including strengthening support for Ukraine in the international arena, enhancing humanitarian assistance, and developing bilateral cooperation. How do you assess the current state of Ukrainian-Argentine relations, and what priorities do you set for further work given changes in Argentina's political landscape?*

— Argentina is one of Ukraine's key partners in Latin America and the Caribbean. Ukrainian-Argentine relations made substantial progress after Javier Milei assumed the presidency of Argentina in December 2023, building on the agreements reached during the bilateral meeting between our presidents at the Buenos Aires inauguration events. During the first year of President Milei's term, Argentina's support for Ukraine grew and developed into a systematic framework.

The Argentine leadership's position in support of Ukraine's struggle for freedom found expression in Argentina's participation in implementing President Volodymyr Zelenskyy's Peace Formula. In May 2024, Argentina officially joined specific points of the Peace Formula — Point 1, 'Radiation and Nuclear Safety', and Point 5, 'Implementation of the UN Charter and Restoration of Ukraine's Territorial



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Meeting between Ambassador Yuriy Klymenko and Argentine Chief of Cabinet Guillermo Francos

Integrity’ — acting as co-chair of the respective working group. At the same time, Argentina went beyond these two areas and engaged in almost all thematic events under the Formula.

In May 2024, Argentina joined the Coalition for the Return of Ukrainian Children, and in June that year, it became part of the Ukraine Defence Contact Group in the Ramstein format.

Particularly noteworthy was President Milei’s participation in the Global Peace Summit in Bürgenstock, Switzerland, on 15 June 2024, and Argentina’s signing of the summit’s final communiqué. In September that year, Argentina took part in the International Crimea Platform Summit for the first time.

At present, we are making focused efforts to sustain the positive momentum in bilateral cooperation in the new geopolitical realities.

A key factor in developing Ukrainian-Argentine relations remains regular dialogue at the level of heads of state. Since 2023, Presidents Volodymyr Zelenskyy and Javier Milei have held four telephone conversations and met in person three times: in Buenos Aires (10 December 2023), Bürgenstock (15 June 2024), and Davos (22 January 2025). In his contacts with the Ukrainian leader, President Milei has repeatedly affirmed that Ukraine can continue to count on Argentina’s full

support. We in Ukraine eagerly anticipate President Milei's visit to our country at President Zelenskyy's invitation.

Our current priorities include developing the full range of bilateral relations and strengthening interaction in all areas of mutual interest.

Argentina's support for Ukrainian initiatives within the UN and other international organisations remains crucial, particularly in the context of countering russian aggression and achieving a just and lasting peace.

In the economic sphere, we aim to ensure that the Sixth Meeting of the Joint Ukrainian-Argentine Intergovernmental Commission on Trade and Economic Cooperation takes place this year, alongside a bilateral business forum within its framework.

We should also note Argentina's presence at the international Ukraine Recovery Conference (URC 2025) in Rome on 10–11 July 2025.

In the context of russia's ongoing war of aggression against our country, cooperation in humanitarian aid remains vital. During 2022–23, in interaction with the Argentine Agency for International Cooperation and Humanitarian Assistance 'White Helmets' (which was reorganised into a commission of the same name at the end of 2023) under the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, International Trade and Worship of Argentina, as well as with Ukrainian and Jewish communities, local businesses, and other organisations, a total of 16 shipments of humanitarian aid were sent to Ukraine, amounting to approximately 142 tonnes. The Embassy, together with Argentine companies and leading Ukrainian diaspora organisations, is currently preparing the 17<sup>th</sup> shipment, which will include, in particular, portable electric generators — highly important given the aggressor's constant attacks on Ukraine's critical energy infrastructure, especially on the eve of the autumn–winter period.

We are also working to deepen cultural ties and expand humanitarian cooperation. In September this year, Buenos Aires will host the Ukrainian Culture Festival featuring the renowned Ukrainian music group DakhaBrakha. In Argentina, interest in Ukraine's culture and contemporary life remains strong, linked both to the heroic struggle of the Ukrainian people against russian aggression and to the historical ties between our two nations, formed in part thanks to the active role of the organised Ukrainian community. Effective cooperation between the Embassy and the Ukrainian Institute creates further prospects in this area.



Зустріч Посла України в Східній Республіці Уругвай (за сумісництвом) Юрія Клименка з Міністром закордонних справ Уругваю Маріо Лубеткіним під час вручення копій Вірчих грамот  
Meeting between Yurii Klymenko, Ambassador of Ukraine to the Oriental Republic of Uruguay (concurrently), and Mario Lubetkin, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Uruguay, during the presentation of Credentials

*— Mr Ambassador, you have also represented Ukraine in Uruguay and Paraguay since February and April 2025. How do you assess the current dynamics of relations with these countries, and in which areas do you see potential to deepen cooperation?*

— We observe an overall positive trend in political cooperation with Paraguay and Uruguay. We continue working to secure these countries' support for Ukraine, primarily within the frameworks of international organisations and forums.

In this context, it is worth noting Uruguay's involvement, under President Luis Lacalle Pou, in nearly all activities related to the implementation of President Volodymyr Zelenskyy's Peace Formula. The then Uruguayan Foreign Minister Omar Paganini participated in the First Peace Summit in June 2024 in Bürgenstock; Uruguay joined the summit's Joint Communiqué.

On 8 July 2025, the Chamber of Deputies of the National Congress of Paraguay adopted a Declaration supporting Ukraine. Among other points, the document declares Paraguay's readiness to support all international diplomatic efforts aimed at the swift restoration of Ukraine's sovereignty and territorial integrity, condemns any attempts at annexation, occupation, or appropriation of Ukrainian territory by Russia, and calls on parliaments and governments worldwide to express their support for Ukraine's sovereignty.

During my meetings in Montevideo and Asunción on 11 and 30 June 2025, respectively, with the foreign ministers of these countries while presenting my Credentials as Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of Ukraine accredited concurrently, both Uruguayan Minister Mario Lubetkin and his Paraguayan counterpart Rubén Lezcano reaffirmed their countries' solidarity with Ukraine and expressed

their commitment to engage actively with Ukraine to strengthen bilateral relations. We expressed gratitude for their consistent support of Ukraine's efforts to establish a just and lasting peace.

We make targeted efforts to facilitate Paraguay and Uruguay's accession to the International Coalition for the Return of Ukrainian Children.

We take measures to activate contacts in trade and economic cooperation. With Paraguay, we continue working to ensure the Second Meeting of the Joint Ukrainian-Paraguayan Commission on Trade and Economic Cooperation takes place before the end of this year, including organising a bilateral business forum within its framework. We are working with Uruguay to set up a mechanism for bilateral economic consultations. Preparations are underway to establish shortly the Embassy of Ukraine in Uruguay, with its residence in Montevideo.

We focus on expanding ties with these countries in the cultural and humanitarian spheres.

*— Deepening economic cooperation between your country and the Latin American countries requires not only political will but also sustained interest from the business community. Are you currently able to establish such stable economic ties? What tools could facilitate Ukrainian companies' entry into the markets of the countries under your accreditation?*

— Despite Russia's ongoing full-scale aggression, disruptions in global supply chains, and economic challenges in the region, Ukraine continues to deepen economic cooperation with Latin American countries, particularly those within the scope of our accreditation and responsibility. Since 2024, Ukraine's foreign trade with Argentina, Uruguay, and Paraguay has shown positive growth, reflecting significant potential to develop sustainable trade and economic links.

Currently, Argentina remains Ukraine's largest trading partner among the countries covered by our Embassy. In the first quarter of 2025, bilateral trade in goods totalled \$25.6 million, representing a 66% increase compared with the same period in 2024. Over the past year, total trade reached \$62.5 million, up 13% on 2023, with exports rising by 7%. Since the beginning of this year, shipments of Ukrainian goods to Argentina have grown by almost 40%, signalling a gradual recovery of positive trends.

Paraguay leads in the relative growth of Ukrainian exports during this period, with deliveries to its market increasing more than fourteenfold — mainly in tools, chemical products, and optical



instruments. Ukrainian exports to Uruguay nearly doubled over the same period, particularly due to machinery, pharmaceuticals, and other products. Although overall trade volumes with these countries remain modest, these trends confirm considerable opportunities for further expansion.

Important institutional mechanisms, including the Nazovni<sup>1</sup> international platform, also benefit the establishment of sustainable bilateral economic ties. This platform enables Ukrainian exporters to find local business partners, participate in leading international trade fairs and exhibitions, and access a broad range of information on prospects for entering the markets of the countries of accreditation and responsibility. Additionally, interested Argentine, Paraguayan, and Uruguayan companies can post import requests for relevant Ukrainian products on the platform, that significantly simplifies finding reliable Ukrainian suppliers.

I would also like to highlight the existence of joint intergovernmental commissions on trade and economic cooperation with Argentina and Paraguay. These commissions are destined to support systematic bilateral dialogue, develop the full range of relations in this field, and serve as excellent venues for discussing mutually beneficial projects, particularly in agribusiness, energy, machinery, oil and gas, pharmaceuticals, IT, and other sectors.

In this context, the Embassy is actively working to organise meetings of these intergovernmental commissions and related bilateral business forums in the second half of 2025, designed to serve as catalysts for Ukrainian companies' entry into promising local markets. The Ukrainian Chamber of Commerce and Industry, the Argentine Chamber of Commerce and Services, the Argentine-Ukrainian Chamber of Commerce and Industry, and the Paraguayan Industrial Union have already expressed preliminary readiness to hold such joint business events.

A key area of cooperation also includes the potential participation of the countries of accreditation and responsibility in Ukraine's infrastructure recovery and post-war reconstruction projects, primarily leveraging international financial institution resources. In particular, this year the Embassy implemented systematic measures to secure high-level participation of Argentine and Uruguayan representatives at the Ukraine Recovery Conference (URC 2025) in Rome on 10–11 July 2025.

<sup>1</sup> Nazovni. URL: <https://nazovni.online>

The Embassy continues thorough work to open new markets for Ukrainian plant and animal products. Specifically, in cooperation with Ukraine's State Service for Food Safety and Consumer Protection and Argentine National Service of Agri-Food Health and Quality, we are addressing market access issues for sunflower seeds, corn, animal products, and feed in Argentina. Notably, a key achievement in this area is the principal approval, in early August this year, of phytosanitary requirements for exporting sunflower seeds for sowing to Argentina — a collaborative accomplishment of Ukrainian and Argentine competent authorities, facilitated by the Embassy.

Finally, despite the geographical distance between the countries of accreditation and responsibility, I would like to encourage Ukrainian business circles to actively engage in building trade and economic ties with local partners and to participate in leading international trade fairs and exhibitions, given the region's significant potential and the promising prospects of local markets for a broad range of Ukrainian goods and services.

— *Argentina became one of the few Latin American countries publicly supporting the Bring Kids Back UA initiative. Moreover, the official Buenos Aires joined a group of four countries collecting information on Ukrainians in captivity, including children. Ambassador, which formats of cooperation with Argentine authorities and human rights organisations do you consider most effective in advancing this process?*

— Indeed, we sincerely thank Argentina for joining the International Coalition for the Return of Ukrainian Children and the Bring Kids Back UA initiative in May last year.

The visit of Daria Herasymchuk, Advisor-Presidential Commissioner for Children's Rights and Child Rehabilitation, to Argentina significantly contributed to these decisions. She arrived in Buenos Aires together with two Ukrainian teenagers — one returned from forced displacement, the other abducted by russians and detained in captivity. Their personal accounts profoundly impacted Argentine officials and civil society representatives. As part of the visit, meaningful meetings took place with members of the National Congress, the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, International Trade and Worship, the Ministry of Justice, as well as with human rights organisations and the media.

Information exchange and coordination of efforts now occur directly through the International Coalition platform, that Argentina is a part of, and within the Bring Kids Back UA. The Argentine side,

drawing on its own tragic historical experience of abducted and disappeared children during the dictatorship, deeply understands the importance of finding and returning children to their families. For this reason, Argentina's support comes with genuine empathy and a strong interest in achieving tangible results.

Additionally, we appreciate Argentina's accession to the Statement of the International Coalition for the Return of Ukrainian Children of 5 August 2025 on the Unlawful Deportation and Forced Transfer of Ukrainian Children by the Russian Federation. In this document, members of the International Coalition issued a unified call to Russia to immediately and unconditionally return Ukrainian children whose identities Ukraine officially submitted during bilateral talks in Istanbul on 2 June 2025.

We highly value this solidarity and regard the format of cooperation combining political support and human rights expertise as the most effective way to advance our shared goal.

*— In addition to participating in efforts to secure the release of Ukrainian prisoners of war and deported civilians, Argentina, together with Estonia, co-chairs the working group on implementing the fifth point of the Peace Formula — 'Implementation of the UN Charter and restoration of Ukraine's territorial integrity and the world order'. What aspects does this group focus on, and how does Argentina promote the issue in the international arena?*

— Argentina's involvement in implementing the fifth point of President Volodymyr Zelenskyy's Peace Formula is logical and consistent in the context of the presidential-level dialogue launched at the end of 2023.

In this regard, Argentina arranged for Damián Arabia, a member of the National Congress and chair of the Friendship Group with Ukraine in the Chamber of Deputies, to co-chair the thematic conference on Point 5 of the Peace Formula, 'Implementation of the UN Charter and restoration of Ukraine's territorial integrity and the world order', held on 24 October 2024 in Riga, Latvia, following the First Peace Summit in Switzerland.

Amid Russia's first colonial war of the 21<sup>st</sup> century, Argentina actively expresses solidarity with Ukraine, recognising the importance and necessity of restoring the international relations system based on the UN Charter. Official Buenos Aires shares our concern about the deep cracks in the foundations of international security and the



UN's inability to respond effectively to blatant violations of its own Charter.

Argentina agrees with Ukraine that implementing the fifth point of the Peace Formula requires, above all, reform of the United Nations Security Council. In particular, it is necessary to prevent UNSC members from abusing their veto power, strengthen the role of the International Court of Justice, and develop a system of measures to prevent aggression and conflict escalation.

During the aforementioned conference, Mr Arabia reaffirmed that his country supports Ukraine's sovereignty and territorial integrity, as well as the full implementation of the UN Charter as a fundamental document of international law.

We appreciate Argentina's, together with the Estonian delegation, active contribution to drafting and approving the text of the Joint Communiqué of the thematic conference in Riga. We look forward to continuing our productive cooperation with Argentine partners in implementing this document, ensuring compliance with the UN Charter, and restoring Ukraine's territorial integrity and the world order. Successfully addressing these issues will help establish lasting peace and security worldwide.

*— In April 2024, a Ukrainian citizen filed a lawsuit in an Argentine court against members of the russian occupation forces for torturing him, as Argentine law allows such cases under the principle of universal jurisdiction. This marked the first such case outside Europe and the United States. Your Excellency, what role can Argentina's judicial system play in investigating russian war crimes and holding perpetrators accountable?*

— The filing in Argentina in April 2024 by a Ukrainian citizen of a lawsuit against members of the russian occupation forces for torture serves as a practical example of the application of the principle of universal jurisdiction enshrined in Argentine law. This mechanism allows national courts to investigate the gravest crimes — including war crimes, crimes against humanity, and genocide — regardless of where they were committed, by whom, or against whom. Furthermore, Argentine legislation enables investigations to be initiated without requiring the suspect's presence on national territory. This is especially important given that most perpetrators of war crimes remain in the occupied territories or in russia itself, which does not cooperate with international justice.



Семінар в університеті «СЕМА» (місто Буенос-Айрес) на тему: «Про війну проти України від першої особи. Нові виклики у сфері захисту прав людини та можливості співпраці з Аргентинською Республікою»

Seminar at the University of CEMA (Buenos Aires) on the subject: First-Person View of the War Against Ukraine. New Challenges in the Field of Human Rights Protection and Opportunities for Cooperation with the Argentine Republic

Argentina already has experience applying this principle, including in cases concerning crimes committed under dictatorships in other countries. Now, concerning russian aggression against Ukraine, the Argentine judicial system can significantly contribute to combating impunity. We believe that such cases send a clear signal: crimes against humanity have no borders, and perpetrators cannot escape accountability.

We are confident that justice is universal, and Argentine jurisprudence can become a reliable instrument in international efforts to document and punish for russian war crimes.

Moreover, we anticipate that Argentina will be able to join the Enlarged Partial Agreement this year to ensure the establishment of a steering committee for the Special Tribunal for the Crime of Aggression against Ukraine.

*— In 2024–25, the Ukrainian community in Argentina celebrated two significant anniversaries: the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Prosvita Ukrainian Cultural Society and the 75<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Ukrainian Youth Association. These anniversaries demonstrate the enduring cultural presence of Ukraine in the region. What is the Ukrainian diaspora's contribution to Argentina in securing international support for Ukraine? Which forms of engagement with the Embassy and the state do you consider most effective for strengthening this role?*

— Indeed, the anniversaries that the Ukrainian community in Argentina marked in 2024–25 — the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Prosvita Ukrainian Cultural Society, the 75<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Ukrainian Youth Association in Argentina, and the 75<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Plast organisation in Argentina — carry not only symbolic but also practical significance. They highlight both the historical continuity of Ukrainian presence in the region and its enduring strength, rooted in the cultural and civic activity of multiple generations.

The diaspora makes a substantial contribution to international support for Ukraine. From the first days of Russia's full-scale invasion, Ukrainians in Argentina demonstrated unity and solidarity by organising public actions, marches, information campaigns, and collecting humanitarian aid in cooperation with the Embassy, local companies, NGOs, and concerned Argentine citizens.

The Ukrainian community also plays a crucial role in the information sphere — on social media, in the media, and in education — actively countering disinformation and spreading the truth about Russia's war in Ukraine. Despite Argentina's complex financial and economic situation, Ukrainians there remain committed to supporting their historical homeland.

Importantly, the community maintains a clear organisational structure. The Ukrainian Central Representation, led by Dr Pedro Lylyk, unites more than 14 organisations across the country. Prosvita Ukrainian Cultural Society, led by Yurii Danylyshyn, the Ukrainian Youth Association, the Vidrozhennia society, the Plast organisation, and numerous local communities in provinces such as Buenos Aires, Misiones, Chaco, Formosa, and other regions actively contribute.

The Embassy of Ukraine in Argentina maintains constant dialogue with civic organisations, jointly implements cultural initiatives, provides information support, and helps establish contacts with Ukrainian partners. In our view, the most effective engagement model

is a partnership based on dedication to the Ukrainian cause, initiative, and shared responsibility for Ukraine's future.

As Ambassador, I sincerely thank the Ukrainian community in Argentina for its unwavering support, solidarity, and daily dedicated work.

*— Russian disinformation in Latin America involves not only the work of propaganda media, but also deliberate and well-planned influence campaigns. The exposure of a russian agent network in Argentina in June 2025 confirmed this fact. In this context, to what extent has the region's attention to the issue of information threats and hybrid influence from russia increased? Are governments, media, or experts interested in learning from Ukraine's experience?*

— Russia's propaganda machine has operated in Latin America since soviet times and continues to function actively. In particular, russian Spanish-language outlets such as *RT* and *Sputnik* systematically spread disinformation across the region, manipulating sensitive topics and cunningly exploiting networks of local commentators in the media space.

When high-profile events occur — such as the destruction of the Kakhovka HPP — some local journalists, in their search for real-time information, risk exposure to russian falsehoods, which spread aggressively and quickly.

The June 2025 exposure of yet another russian agent network operating in Argentina confirmed that these activities are not isolated incidents, but rather a systematic and coordinated operation.

In this context, we observe growing attention from Argentine media, government agencies, and the expert community to the topic of information threats and hybrid influence.

Interest in studying Ukraine's experience in countering disinformation is evident. We work on this front together with partners. A notable example of such cooperation was the second conference, held on 12 May this year in Buenos Aires, co-organised by the embassies of Canada, France, Poland, Ukraine, and the United Kingdom; the EU Delegation; the Government and Legislative Assembly of the City of Buenos Aires; the Argentine Journalism Forum; and with the participation of invited international experts. The conference focused on foreign information manipulation and interference as global democratic challenges. Participants emphasised the importance of effective counter-disinformation measures in the context of russia's war against Ukraine. The event not only raised Argentine public awareness of the scale and

mechanisms of Russian propaganda, but also strengthened the capacity of local media and civil society to recognise, neutralise, and publicly expose destructive information influence. The conference demonstrated that it is only through interstate cooperation, the promotion of critical thinking, and the support of independent journalism and media literacy that we can resist the wave of disinformation threatening the democratic world.

*— Public diplomacy ranks among the most effective tools for conveying the truth about Ukraine during wartime. In your opinion, which forms of communication work best with an Argentine audience — cultural events, educational initiatives, publications in the media, or joint activities with the diaspora?*

— Public diplomacy truly ranks among the most effective tools for conveying the truth about Ukraine during the full-scale war. Our experience in Argentina shows that the key to effective impact lies in combining formats: cultural events, educational initiatives, public gatherings, direct engagement with the media, and ongoing cooperation with the Ukrainian diaspora.

One efficient approach involves open lectures and face-to-face discussions with Argentine students, professors, and analysts. We regularly meet with students of Argentine universities and at leading think tanks such as the Argentine Council for International Relations. During these events, I can personally explain to the Argentine audience the nature of Russian aggression, emphasise Ukraine's role in defending the international legal order and the principles of the UN Charter, and stress the shared responsibility of the world's democracies in confronting global security challenges. This format of direct dialogue works exceptionally well for countering disinformation and dismantling stereotypes.

Cultural diplomacy holds a special place — it allows us to speak to hearts through art, traditions, and emotions. A powerful example is Ukraine's participation in the Buenos Aires International Book Fair, where this year our country presented a programme featuring renowned Ukrainian writer Yuri Andrukhovych, illustrators from the Agrafka studio, and a series of presentations, exhibitions, workshops, and the now-traditional Ukraine Day.

A symbolic gesture that further strengthened Argentina's emotional connection with Ukraine was a *pysanka* (Easter egg-decorating) workshop for members of Argentina's diplomatic corps and political establishment ahead of Easter.





Відкриття української книжкової полицки в Автономному університеті міста Енкарнасьйон (Республіка Парагвай)

Opening of the Ukrainian bookshelf at the Autonomous University of Encarnación (Republic of Paraguay)

The *Children of War* exhibition — featuring drawings by Ukrainian children experiencing the trauma of full-scale war — drew significant attention. It opened in Buenos Aires in November last year and will be shown in Uruguay and Paraguay.

We also place strong emphasis on visual content. For example, a series of screenings of documentaries about Russian war crimes in Ukraine was organised, including films created within The Reckoning Project: Ukraine Testifies initiative, as well as *Chornobyl 22* and *In the Rearview*. The topic of Ukrainian children abducted by the Russian aggressor received special focus, notably through the screening of *After the Rain: Putin's Stolen Children Come Home*.

A true cultural highlight was the screening of the Ukrainian animated film *Mavka: The Forest Song*, which received a warm reception from local audiences and served as a bridge to a deeper understanding of Ukrainian traditions, folklore, and aesthetics.

An essential part of our work involves honouring important dates in Ukrainian history — both state holidays and tragic events. We traditionally mark Ukraine's Independence Day and recall key moments linked to Russian aggression against our country. We also devote considerable attention to commemorating the 1932–33 Holodomor victims. Illuminating iconic landmarks in Ukraine's national colours on significant historical dates reinforces Ukraine's symbolic presence in Buenos Aires's public space.

Of course, the Ukrainian community plays an essential role in all our efforts — active, united, and driven.

Our notable achievements in cultural diplomacy include initiatives supported by Olena Zelenska, Ukraine's First Lady.

For example, in October last year, visitors to Buenos Aires could explore the city with a new Ukrainian-language audio guide on tourist bus routes. This project became possible through the involvement of the Embassy, the support of the Ukrainian community, and financial assistance from Ukraine's Honorary Consul in La Plata, Pedro Lylyk, who also heads the Ukrainian Central Representation in Argentina.

Another significant step involved opening Ukrainian bookshelves — first at the Ricardo Güiraldes Central Library in Buenos Aires and, more recently, at the Autonomous University of Encarnación library in Paraguay.

Our work does not stop there. We are now actively engaging universities in Argentina, Uruguay, and Paraguay to join the Global Coalition of Ukrainian Studies.

The opening of Paseo Ucrania (Ukraine Lane) in the Parque Tres de Febrero — one of the city's central green spaces — near the 1971 monument to Taras Shevchenko further strengthened the Ukrainian presence in Buenos Aires's public space.

In short, public diplomacy is not just a tool; it is the style of our constant presence, our daily work. And when you approach that work systematically, sincerely, and with dignity in defending the truth, it inevitably delivers results.

*Interview dated 11 August 2025*