



Mr. Thor Pedersen
The Danish Parliament
DENMARK

February 15th, 2010

Honourable President of the Danish Parliament,

In my capacity as President of the Latin American Chapter of the Global Organization of Parliamentarians Against Corruption (GOPAC) and as President of Chapter Mexico, I am pleased to write to you to reiterate our invitation to attend the *Fourth Global Conference of Parliamentarians Against Corruption*, from March 11th to 13th of 2011; which will take place in Mexico City.

As you know, this conference will bring together experts and parliamentarians worldwide to discuss how legislators can actively participate in such a crucial issue.

Delegates can enjoy, if required, performing immigration facilities at the Mexican Consulate that corresponds, presenting the letter of invitation or the designation in writing that the Executive Boards of each Parliament formally make for them. For that reason, I invite you to nominate their representatives at the earliest as possible. General information is located on the website of GOPAC: <http://www.gopacnetwork.org>.

The Mexican Senate will host this important conference, for which it has also prepared, in addition to the program for it, some events which will evidence our traditional hospitality.

Allow me, Mr. President, to present to you my best wishes for 2011 and my warm regards.

Sincerely,

*Senator Ricardo García Cervantes
Mexican Senate Vice President
President of Latin American Chapter of GOPAC and of Mexico Chapter*

Visa Information

A) ORDINARY PASSPORTS

YOU DO NOT NEED A MEXICAN VISA IF YOU ARE:

1. A citizen of the following countries:

Andorra, Argentina, Australia, Austria, Bahamas, Belgium, Belize, Bulgaria, Canada, Chile, Costa Rica, Croatia, Cyprus, Czech Republic, Denmark, Estonia, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Hong Kong, Hungary, Ireland, Iceland, Israel, Italy, Japan, Korean Rep., Latvia, Liechtenstein, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Malta, Monaco, Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway, Panama, Poland, Portugal, Puerto Rico, Romania, San Marino, Singapore, Slovakia, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, United States of America, Uruguay or Venezuela.

2. A holder of a valid U.S. visa and a valid passport.

3. A permanent resident in the U.S., Canada, Japan, United Kingdom or any Schengen country with valid passport and proof of permanent residency in one of these countries.

To enter Mexico, simply present a valid passport and fill out an immigration form (FMM), which can be obtained at travel agencies, airlines or at any point of entry to Mexico.

B) DIPLOMATIC/OFFICIAL PASSPORTS

YOU DO NOT NEED A MEXICAN VISA IF YOU ARE:

1. Holders of diplomatic/official passports of the following countries:

Andorra, Algeria, Argentina, Armenia, Austria, Azerbaijan, Belgium, Benin, Belize, Bolivia, Brazil, Bulgaria, China PR, Chile, Colombia, Costa Rica, Croatia, Cuba, Cyprus, the Czech Republic, Denmark, Dominican Rep., Ecuador, El Salvador, Estonia, Ethiopia, Finland, France, Greece, Guatemala, Guyana, Honduras, Hungary, Iceland, India, Indonesia, Ireland, Israel, Italy, Jamaica, Japan, Korean Rep., Latvia, Luxembourg, Malaysia, Morocco, Netherlands, Nicaragua, Norway, Panama, Paraguay, Pakistan, Peru, Philippines, Poland, Portugal, Romania, Russia, St. Lucia, St. Vincent and the Grenadines, Serbia, Slovakia, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Thailand, Trinidad and Tobago, Tunisia, Turkey, Ukraine, United States of America, United Kingdom, Uruguay, Venezuela or Vietnam.

In any other case, you need to obtain a Mexican visa. No visas will be issued at any Mexican point of entry.

If you need a visa, it is strongly recommended that you start your registration and visa application processes as soon as possible.

MEXICAN VISA REQUIREMENTS

A) NATIONALS OF COUNTRIES WHERE MEXICO HAS A DIPLOMATIC REPRESENTATION

The visa applicant must visit the consular office and submit the following documentation:

- a. Passport (valid for at least six months after the date of entry into Mexico).
- b. Letter of Invitation

For further information about the location of Mexican diplomatic representations consult:

<http://portal3.sre.gob.mx/english/>

B) NATIONALS OF COUNTRIES IN WHICH MEXICO DOES NOT HAVE A DIPLOMATIC REPRESENTATION

1. The applicant may travel to the nearest Mexican Consulate in the nearest country and present the above-mentioned documentation.

Cultural Centers



El Palacio de Bellas Artes

Its main aims are the diffusion and promotion of the Arts, the artistic education, as well as the safeguarding and conservation of the movable and immovable artistic heritage. It also offers cultural programs and services.



La Catedral de México

The Cathedral, as part of the Zócalo, is the symbolic and cosmic center, in which the Mexicans' daily life takes place.



Museo de Antropología

Because of its collection, size and facilities, it is considered the world's most important museum in its genre. It has eleven rooms of archaeology and eleven of ethnography.



El mercado de la Ciudadela

It is a diffusion of Mexican crafts worldwide and has become a must for tourists. It has 355 shops and workshops.



Monumento a la Revolución

This monument is a symbol of the great history we have to share with the world and wrap in its structure a period of time which marked us as the amazing Mexican culture we are today.



Mexico City

Emergency phone numbers:

- 066** Emergency (SSP)
- 065** Red Cross
- 068** Fire fighters
- 5683 2222** Civil Protection
- 5658 1111** LOCATEL

Links:

- www.sectur.gob.mx
- www.mexicocity.gob.mx
- www.turibus.com.mx



Tourist Information



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International Affairs
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History



México City has been Mexico's heart as well as the historical and cultural capital of the Americas. Since its foundation by the Aztecs in 1325, it has been a meeting place for diverse cultures.

Mexico City is one of the largest and most dynamic cities on the planet; a conglomeration of legendary and modern cultural-origin myths.

The city conserves both pre-hispanic constructions, witnesses to the richness of the cultures that originally emerged in the Valley of Mexico, as well as the architecture of Mexico's enigmatic colonial period.

Handicraft

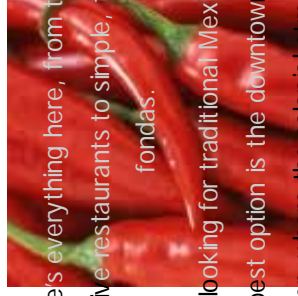
Handicrafts are a productive activity and means of support of many families, they represent the art and tradition of our country. Because of that and with the purpose of promoting this fundamental part of our culture, in Mexico City there are samples of great works like goldsmithing, working of metals, lac, pottery, typical textile, painting made on amate, cutting, imitation jewelry, mexican pewter, saddlery, stonework, leather handicraft, silverwork, among others.

More info: <http://www.fonart.gob.mx>



Food

In Mexico City, you can enjoy a wide variety of traditional Mexican dishes as well as cuisine from around the world.



There's everything here, from the most exclusive restaurants to simple, traditional fondas.

When looking for traditional Mexican food, your best option is the downtown Historic Center, where the colonial atmosphere provides the perfect backdrop for enjoying breakfast or dinner.

The Condesa neighborhood is home to numerous world-cuisine restaurants as well as modern "fusion" establishments.

If you're looking for something a bit more traditional, the markets in Xochimilco and Coyoacán offer Mexican favorites that can't be beat.

