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**Bostonians and Visitors Are Invited to Board Colombia's Tall Ship
"ARC GLORIA"**

Ship will be Open for Tours Tomorrow Through Monday

Washington, DC – This morning, Colombia's tall ship and the training ship of the Colombian Navy – the "ARC GLORIA" – arrived in Boston Harbor. Beginning tomorrow, Saturday, July 29 at 9:00 a.m., local residents will have the opportunity to board and tour GLORIA. The three-mast sailing vessel will be in Boston until the afternoon of Monday, July 31. Admission is free and open to the public.

GLORIA's visit presents an opportunity for the local community to welcome a special group of young Colombian cadets during their goodwill training cruise and to learn more about Colombian culture. On board, the visiting public will have a chance to meet the crew and learn about Colombia's naval traditions. Visitors will also have the chance to view a special exhibition of posters and photographs that display Colombian history, heritage and culture, which includes guided narration, available in English, Spanish and Portuguese.

WHEN:

- **Saturday, July 29:** 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. and 2:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.
- **Sunday, July 30:** 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. and 2:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.
- **Monday, July 31:** 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

WHERE:

Fan Pier Marina
1 Marina Park Drive
Boston, MA 02210

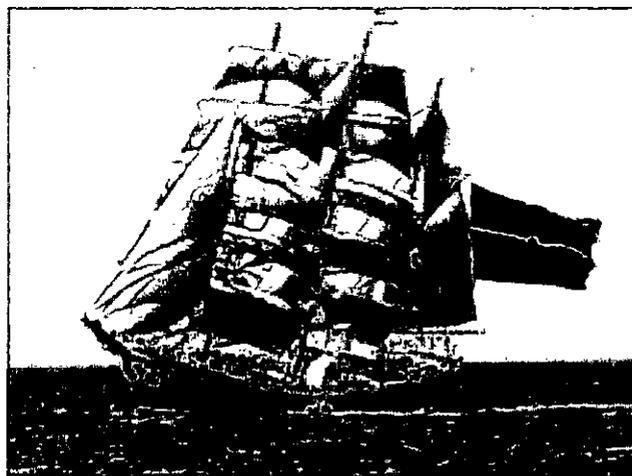


Photo: ARC GLORIA

ABOUT GLORIA:

GLORIA is commanded by Captain Hernando Garcia and manned by a 154-member crew, including cadets who learn and practice coastal and celestial navigation, the operation of modern navigation and communications equipment, maneuvering with sails and ropes and general seamanship. The cadets also learn to work as a team to raise the ship's 23 sails and brave the world's seas. Among the crew, there

are five foreign official guests from Argentina, Spain, Mexico, Peru and Uruguay, as well as three officers from the Colombian Army, Air Force and National Police.

In November 2018, GLORIA will celebrate 50 years of sailing the seas and delivering the message of international goodwill and friendship to all the continents of the world. The ship's flag has proudly waved in more than 190 ports across the globe, carrying with it the pride of the Colombian people, nobility and a message of peace and progress to the world.

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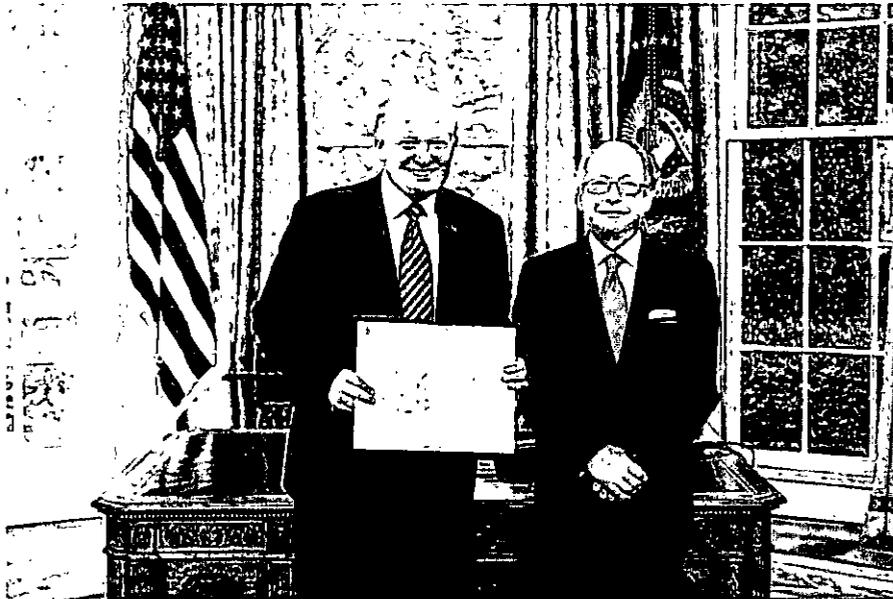
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A Weekly Update from the Embassy of Colombia

July 28, 2017

Colombian Ambassador Reyes Arrives in Washington, Presents Credentials to President Trump



*Ambassador Reyes presents his credentials to President Trump.
Photo Credit: The White House.*

On July 21, 2017, new Colombian Ambassador to the United States Camilo Reyes made his ambassadorship official and presented his credentials to President Donald J. Trump at the White House. Colombian President Juan Manuel Santos appointed Ambassador Reyes to the post last May, and he was sworn into office in early July.

In a statement for the White House record, Reyes wrote:

"This is a pivotal moment in Colombia's history, and now, more than ever, further strengthening our bilateral alliance is key. ...

"Colombia concluded a historic Peace Agreement in 2016 that brought more than 52 years of conflict to an end. For the first time in half a century, Colombia is a nation working to build stable and lasting peace. The United States and the international community have expressed strong support for Colombia and the Peace Agreement, including President Santos being awarded the 2016 Nobel Peace Prize.

“While much has changed for Colombia, what has remained constant is the special relationship Colombia shares with the United States. In the United States, Colombia has a longstanding friend and partner, and in Colombia, the United States has its strongest ally in Latin America.”

Over his more than 35-year career, Reyes has held leadership positions in both the public and private sectors, including serving as Executive Director of the Colombian American Chamber of Commerce – AmCham Colombia – prior to being named Ambassador. A career diplomat and multilingual specialist in international negotiations, Reyes's most recent government post was as Vice Minister of Foreign Relations from 2003 to 2008.

Read his full biography [here](#).

Colombia's Tall Ship "ARC GLORIA" Docks in Boston

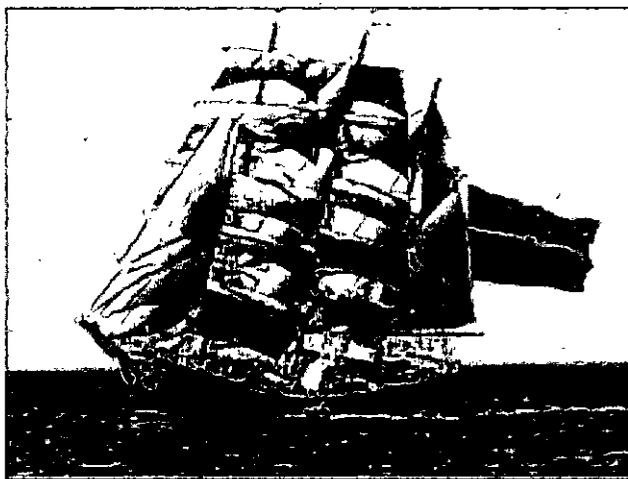


Photo: ARC GLORIA

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Ambassador Reyes greeted the crew when the historic ship arrived. GLORIA's visit to one of the oldest U.S. cities allows the community to welcome special Colombia cadets during their goodwill training cruise and to learn about Colombian culture. The ship features a special exhibition that visually displays Colombian history, heritage and culture.

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Top Photo: Ambassador Reyes with Captain Hernando García and Defense Attaché Juan Bautista Yepes.

*Bottom Photo: Ambassador Reyes and his wife, Gloria Ritter de Reyes, with Captain Hernando García and Defense Attaché Juan Bautista Yepes.
Photo Credit: The Embassy of Colombia.*

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