On July 15, 2020, the Embassy of Mexico in Ecuador in collaboration with the Embassy of Mexico in Colombia carried out the virtual presentation of the *Chronology of the Americas. 19th and 20th Centuries*, coordinated by Dr. Patricia Galeana, president of the History Commission of the Pan-American Institute of Geography and History (PAIGH), and published by the Research Center on Latin America and the Caribbean of the UNAM, and Siglo XXI publishing house.
The event was headed by the Ambassador of Mexico in Ecuador, Dr. Raquel Serur, and was attended by Dr. Lenin Miguel Garcés Vitari, co-author of the work, and Dr. Guadalupe Soasti Toscano, a prominent Ecuadorian historian.

Dr. Galeana highlighted the importance of this work, in which 44 historians from 23 countries participated, as an indispensable tool for learning about the history of our region and promoting comparative history studies that allow dimensioning historical events.

The Chronology comprises the main political, economic, social, cultural, scientific and technological events of The Americas, as well as the regional integration efforts. It includes synthetic, but comprehensive information on historical events, from the 19th century to the present time.

Dr. Lenin Garcés, co-author and member of the History Commission, described how he was linked to the project, detailing the type of bibliographic and newspaper sources that were used to tell the history of Ecuador, from the process of Independence to the events at the beginning of the 19th century. He pointed out that the work will require constant updating.

Dra. Guadalupe Soasti, member of the History Commission, highlighted that the structure of the work and its thematic organization facilitate access to information, and allow the reconstruction of the history of each country in a time line with an overview of the most significant events of each, giving a sequenced idea of the historical events of the American countries.

Watch the event on the following link: https://www.facebook.com/embamexecuador/videos/2660278340909774/

Dr. Reinaldo Rojas, member of the PAIGH History Commission

The History Commission warmly congratulates the member of the Pan-American Network of Historians Dr. Reinaldo Rojas for his admission to the Academy of History of Venezuela. His speech was entitled: De la Etnohistoria de la Encomienda a la Historia Social de la “Región Barquisimeto” en el tiempo histórico colonial. Un ensayo de ego-historia. Dr. Rojas spoke about his background upon arriving at this academic institution; he took stock of what had been done in historical research and presented a comprehensive and global hypothesis about the
duty as an institution, as a structure, and as a historical process.

Here part of his speech (Spanish):

Hoy, me corresponde ocupar el sillón que dejó vacante, por su lamentable desaparición física el 27 de febrero de 2018, el profesor Ramón Tovar López. Ese sillón se corresponde con la letra “H”, ocupada por primera vez, en 1888, por el militar, político y escritor falconiano, Jacinto Regino Pachano, biógrafo del mariscal Juan Crisóstomo Falcón.

Para acercarme al legado de Ramón Tovar López, voy a partir de la “Promoción Juan Vicente González” de profesores en Historia y Geografía egresados del Instituto Pedagógico Nacional, en 1949, en la cual coinciden tres figuras de la historiografía nacional contemporánea: Guillermo Morón, Federico Brito Figueroa y Ramón Tovar, destacados intelectuales e investigadores en los campos de la Historia y la Geografía.

Read the full speech on History Commission website:
https://comisiones.ipgh.org/HISTORIA/

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The Constituent Assembly proclaims the independence.

1962
Jamaica becomes independent from the United Kingdom.

1960
Cuba nationalizes US companies.

**AUGUST 8TH**
International Day of the World’s Indigenous People
**AUGUST 10TH**  
1809, Ecuador  
Cry of independence.

**AUGUST 12TH**  
1980, Uruguay  
Signature of the Montevideo Treaty, which established the institutionalization of the Latin American Integration Association (ALADI).

**AUGUST 15TH**  
1811, Paraguay  
The tricolor flag is hoisted for the first time.

**AUGUST 16TH**  
1863, Dominican Republic  
Grito de Capotillo: José Cabrera, Benito Moción and Santiago Rodríguez proclaim the restoration of the Republic governed by the Spaniards since 1861.

**AUGUST 17TH**  
1848, Mexico  
Miguel Barbachano, governor of Yucatán, decrees the reincorporation of the peninsula to the federation.

**AUGUST 18TH**  
1920, United States  
Ratification of the Nineteenth Amendment to the Constitution: granting women the right to vote.

**AUGUST 20TH**  
1778, Chile  
Bernardo O’Higgins is born, recognized as the Father of the Nation.

**AUGUST 21ST**  
1821, Mexico  
Agustín de Iturbide and Juan O’Donojú sign the Treaty of Córdoba, which recognizes the country’s independence.

**AUGUST 22ND**  
1942  
Brazil declares war on Germany and Italy during World War II.

**AUGUST 23RD**  
1980  
The Nicaraguan Literacy Campaign ends. It reduced illiteracy from 50% to 12.96%.

**AUGUST 24TH**  
1821, Mexico  
Agustín de Iturbide and Juan O’Donojú sign the Treaty of Córdoba, which recognizes the country’s independence.

**AUGUST 26TH**  
1940  
Foundation of the University of Costa Rica.

**AUGUST 27TH**  
1898  
The Political Constitution of the United States of Central America is promulgated.

**AUGUST 28TH**  
1821, Argentina  
Foundation of the Buenos Aires Province Archive, currently the General Archive of the Nation.

**AUGUST 31ST**  
1962  
Trinidad and Tobago becomes independent from the United Kingdom.