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Minister of Agriculture Heads Delegation to LATAM Summit 2022

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Hon. Jose Abelardo Mai, Minister of Agriculture, Food Security and Enterprise, is heading a delegation attending the Latin American (LATAM) Summit 2022 being held in Cancun, Quintana Roo, Mexico, from January 26 to 29, 2022.

Minister Mai is joined by Hon. Anthony Mahler, Minister of Tourism and Diaspora Relations; Servulo Baeza, CEO, Ministry of Agriculture, Food Security and Enterprise; Nicole Solano, CEO, Ministry of Tourism and Diaspora Relations; Narda Garcia, CEO, Office of the Prime Minister and Finance and Investment; and H.E. Oscar Arnold, Belize's Ambassador to Mexico, as well as other officials across several ministries. The delegation and other guests were officially welcomed in a ceremony earlier today and led by Carlos Joaquin Gonzalez, Governor of Quintana Roo, and Maria Elena Hermelinda Lezama, Mayor of Benito Juarez Municipality.

The LATAM Summit 2022 features more than 100 entrepreneurs from the United States, Colombia, Panama, Belize, and Mexico, as well as other countries in Latin America. The summit seeks to expand and diversify linkages and investment opportunities among the different participating countries. The summit also features meetings, exclusive events and networking sessions between members of the public and private sector of the participating countries. Belize's attendance at the summit follows its own investment summit held in November 2021.

The Latin American Summit is organized by the Quintana Roo branch of COPARMEX, the Confederación Patronal de la República Mexicana or Employers' Confederation of the Mexican Republic. This is a voluntary membership business organization that includes a network of 65 business centers across the Mexican Republic dedicated to the study and creation of proposals on major issues of the Mexican economy and society.

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