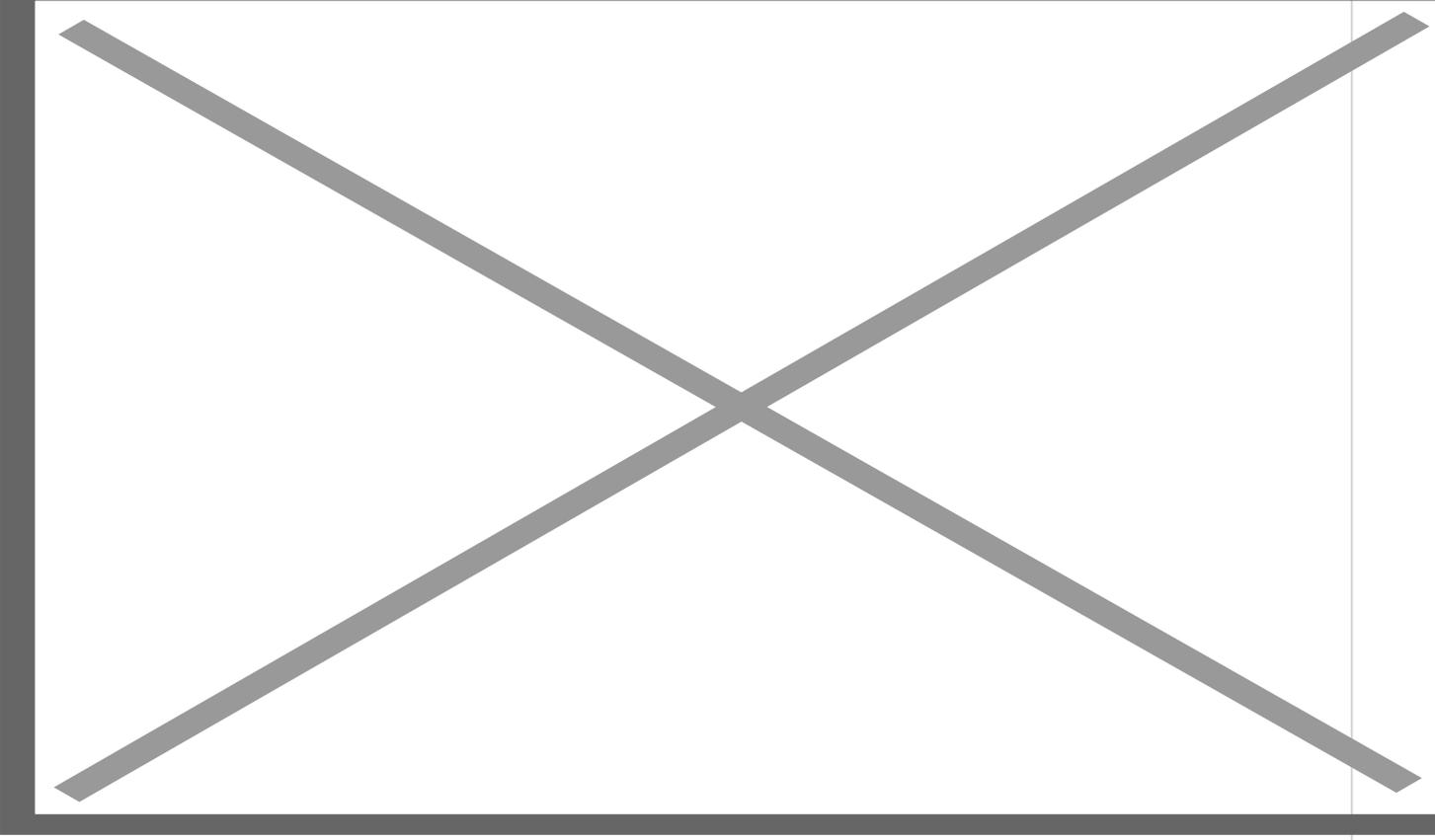


Bolivian president to attend Lula's inauguration in Brazil

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After winning the elections, Luis Arce sent a congratulatory message to Lula da Silva where he specified that his emotion was that of the working people. | Photo: ABI

La Paz, December 24 (RHC)-- The Bolivian government has reported the participation of President Luis Arce in the inauguration of Brazilian President-elect Luiz Inácio Lula da Silva, which will take place on January 1st.

Bolivia's Deputy Minister of Communications, Gabriela Alcón, told reporters that the head of state will also hold a working meeting with Lula da Silva, who will govern the country for the third time.

"On January 1st, which is the inauguration of the President of Brazil, Luis Arce will be there," said the Bolivian official, adding that before his trip the dignitary will deliver a Christmas message to the Bolivian

population.

"It is the message for family unity, the unity of the country. There have been difficult moments, but also very gratifying moments. It is an evaluation, a message that President Luis Arce is going to deliver precisely on December 24," Alcon stressed.

Lula da Silva won the presidency of Brazil after the October 30th runoff election with 50.9 percent of the votes, compared to 49.1 percent obtained by the current ultra-right-wing leader, Jair Bolsonaro.

Upon winning said elections, Luis Arce sent a congratulatory message to Lula da Silva: "Your emotion, brother Lula, is the emotion of the working people and reflects your great love for the Brazilian people, for the humble classes you have always defended. Vallalla la Patria Grande!"

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