López Obrador rejects use of immigration issue as ammunition in U.S. election campaign
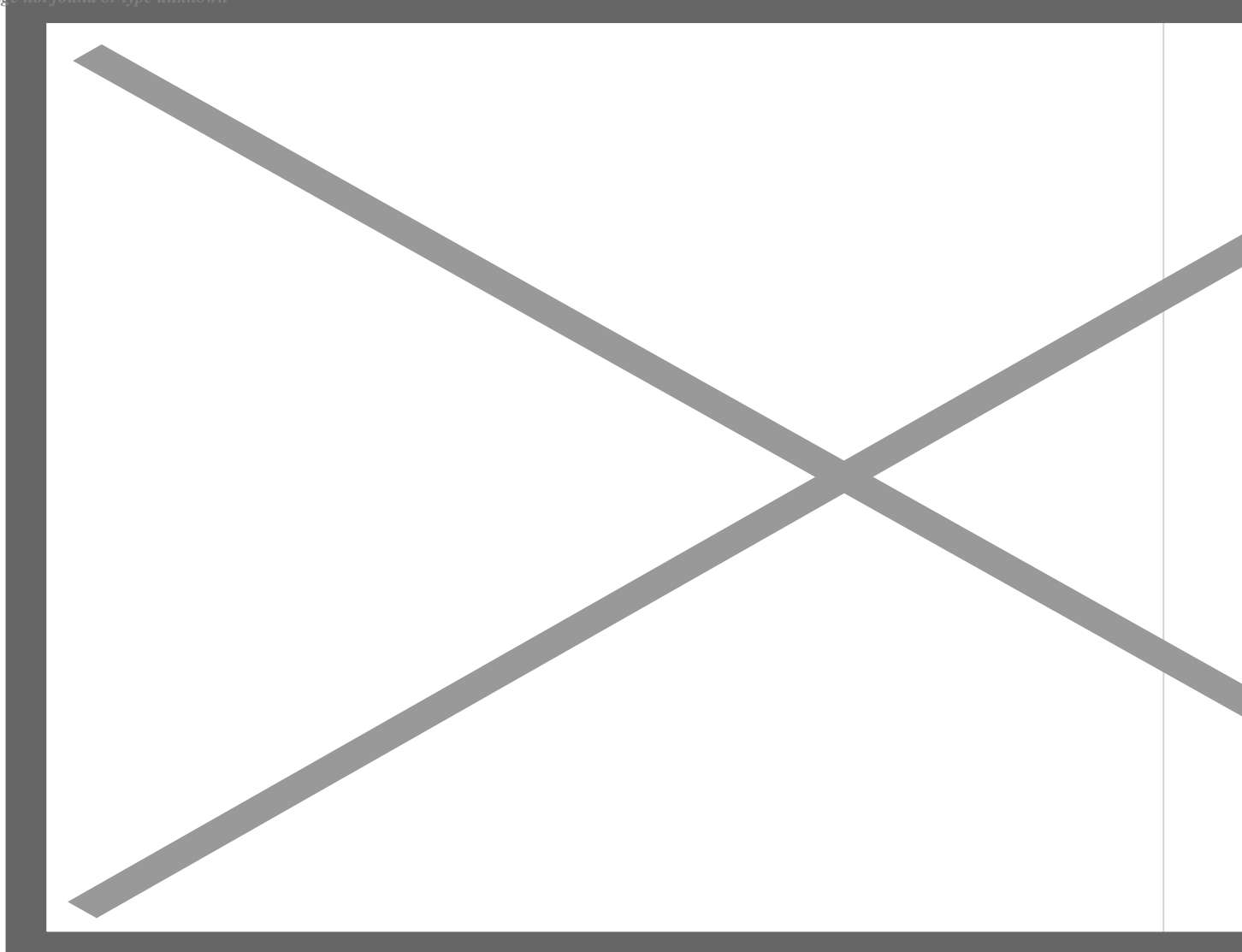

Inauguration of works of the National Port System in Guaymas in Sonora

Mexico City, August 25 (RHC)-- The president of Mexico, Andrés Manuel López Obrador (AMLO), has affirmed that his nation is not a colony of any foreign country, while rejecting the use of the immigration issue by the candidates for the Presidency of the United States, who have exchanged accusations on the matter in their respective campaigns.

"Do not forget that Mexico is a free, independent and sovereign country. It is not a colony of any foreign country," said the president during the inauguration of works of the National Port System in Guaymas in Sonora.

In the Mexican president's address, he highlighted the issue of migrants. "A round of applause for the migrants. That is why we will always defend them, whether they like it or not. We do not want walls, nor do we want militarization of the border, and we do not want mistreatment of our people." And AMLO added: "[From the United States] Mexico receives thousands of deportees. They are mainly Mexicans forcibly returned by U.S. authorities. This has happened more frequently since the last twenty years (with the administrations of George Bush, Barack Obama, Donald Trump and Joe Biden)."

The Mexican president also declared that "they had always ignored us, saying that those from outside were better than Mexicans. Nothing of the sort, Mexico has an exceptional historical and cultural past. It is a cultural power in the world; and our people are a good people, a hard-working people, a fraternal people."

Another of the points addressed by the president-elect Claudia Sheinbaum was the Judicial Reform, on which the United States issued negative opinions. The president-elect said that "the approval of Plan C is coming, which among other reforms has as a priority the constitutional changes for the Judicial Branch."

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