

# *Bolsonaro visited CIA before meeting Donald Trump on first U.S. visit*

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Washington, March 21 (RHC)-- Brazilian President Jair Bolsonaro reportedly visited the Central Intelligence Agency (CIA) headquarters in Virginia just prior to meeting President Donald Trump, on his first official visit to the United States.

“No Brazilian president had ever paid a visit to the CIA,” Celso Amorim, who served as foreign minister under former President Luiz Inacio Lula da Silva, told AP, adding that it “is an explicitly submissive position.”

The clandestine chat was announced by his son, Eduardo Bolsonaro, in a tweet saying the meeting was “an excellent opportunity to talk about international affairs of the region with technicians and experts of the highest level.”

Observers commented that the Brazilian president's three-day visit to the U.S. underscored his embrace of U.S. influence in Latin America. And his tour of CIA headquarters was even more significant, given that the CIA has been involved in assassinations, military coups and interventions around the globe with special regard against progressive governments in Latin America.

Just before leaving Brasilia for his U.S. tour, Bolsonaro said that he -- in his words -- “always dreamt of freeing Brazil from the dirty ideology of the left.” The Brazilian right-wing president has praised the Brazilian dictatorship of the 1960's, which caused forced disappearances, torture and killings over two decades.

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