

# *Mexican president dismisses U.S. travel advisories*

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Mexico City, March 15 (RHC)-- Mexican President Andres Manuel Lopez Obrador has dismissed U.S. State Department travel advisories that recommend Americans avoid vacationing in Mexico. "Mexico is safer than the United States," Lopez Obrador told reporters at his daily press conference at the National Palace in Mexico City.

According to the president, Mexico is safe and there are increasingly more Americans who have come to reside in the country in recent years. The U.S. State Department has issued travel advisories for Mexican destinations, including "do not travel" warnings for several states marred by drug violence.

The advisories are part of "a campaign" against Mexico, mainly by "conservative" U.S. politicians who disagree with Mexico's current reformist agenda, said Lopez Obrador.

Mexican Foreign Minister Marcelo Ebrard met on Monday with Mexican consuls in Washington to report on the measures the government is taking against crime and drug trafficking.

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