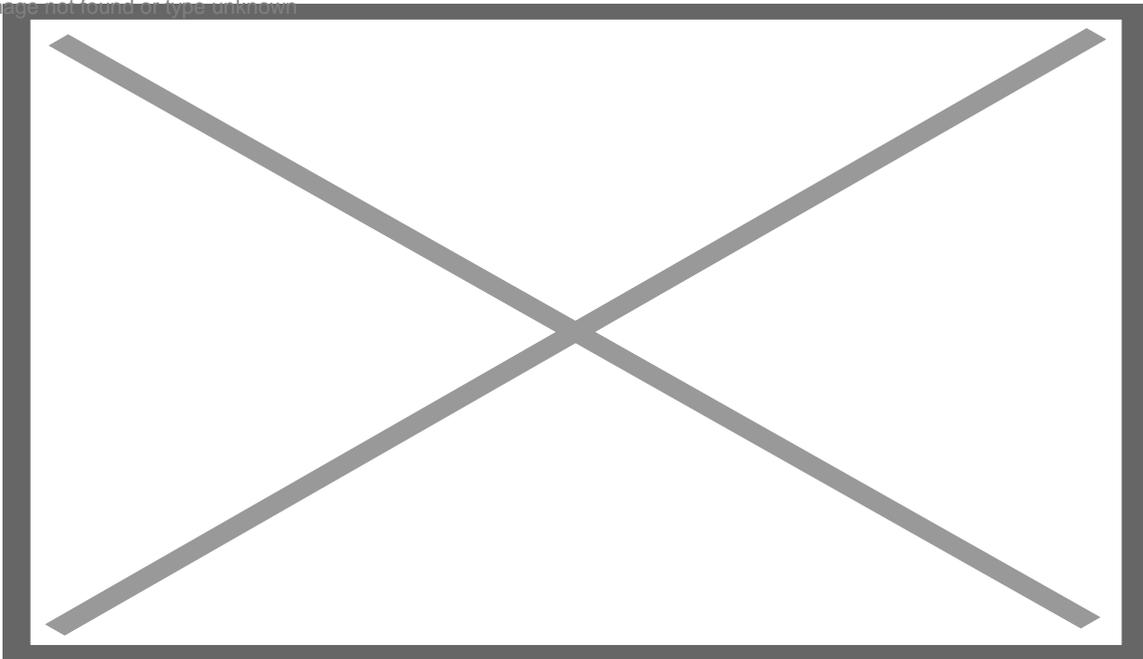


# *Venezuelan President meets with CCP Secretary General in Shenzhen, China*

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**The meeting between the President of the South American country and the Chinese political leader took place in a hotel in the city of Shenzhen, in the province of Canton. | Photo: Presidential Press**

Beijing, September 9 (RHC)-- The president of Venezuela, Nicolás Maduro, held a meeting this Saturday with the secretary general of the Communist Party of China (CPC) in Shenzhen, Huang Kunming, as part of his tour of the Asian giant.

The meeting between the president of the South American country and the Chinese political leader took place in a hotel in the city of Shenzhen, belonging to the province of Canton, located in the southeast of the Asian nation.

In a press release, the press office of the Presidency of the Bolivarian Republic stated that the meeting "allowed the exchange of experiences in the political area, as well as strengthening the bonds of integration and mutual respect".

During the talk, the Venezuelan Head of State highlighted the importance of the Special Economic Zones (SEZ) as a path to economic diversification, being a pillar of development in the 21st century.

"We are starting to walk the path of the construction of special economic zones in Venezuela, as a way to diversify the economy and to expand Venezuela's productive forces, linked to the high technology of this new era," President Maduro stressed.

"It is something fundamental -he added- if we talk about development in the 21st century. That is why this meeting is so important, from which I hope plans and initiatives will emerge that will deeply unite the two countries."

The press office of the Venezuelan presidency recalled that last August, President Maduro signed decrees for the activation of four Special Economic Zones (SEZ) located in different strategic regions of the South American country, in order to advance in the construction of a new post-oil model.

The Venezuelan president's state visit to China, which will last until Thursday, September 14, is aimed at consolidating the relations of brotherhood and cooperation between both nations.

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