

# *Uruguayan President to Attend MERCOSUR Summit*

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Montevideo, July 28 (PL-RHC) -- President Jose Mujica of Uruguay will attend the tribute to the late president Hugo Chávez of Venezuela in Caracas and the upcoming Summit of the Southern Common Market (MERCOSUR) in the Venezuelan capital, the presidency in Montevideo has confirmed.

Mujica will attend, along with numerous Heads of State, a tribute to Chavez for the 60th birthday anniversary of the late Bolivarian leader in his home state of Barinas.

On Tuesday, according to the official program, the Uruguayan president will be at Simon Bolivar Square in the capital, where the presidents of member countries of MERCOSUR will lay a wreath in honor of the "Libertador."

Afterwards, at the Yellow House "Antonio José de Sucre," the presidents will hold a private meeting before attending the plenary session of the MERCOSUR Summit, during which the rotating presidency of the bloc will pass from Venezuela to Argentina.

Mujica is scheduled return to Montevideo on Tuesday night.

It was reported that presidents Salvador Sanchez Ceren (El Salvador); Daniel Ortega (Nicaragua) and

Gaston Browne (Antigua and Barbuda) will speak, among other guests.

On this occasion, reports on the latest Social Summit and the III Business Forum of MERCOSUR will also be presented.

MERCOSUR, with permanent headquarters in Montevideo, groups Argentina, Brazil, Paraguay, Uruguay and Venezuela, with Bolivia and other countries in the region in the process to join the bloc.

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