

# *Ten Years of Evo Morales' Presidency Celebrated with Ancestral Ceremony*

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La Paz, January 21 (RHC)-- Bolivian President Evo Morales began celebrating Thursday the 10 year anniversary of his administration with an ancestral indigenous ceremony organized in the city of Tiahuanaco, La Paz, where the oldest ruins of human civilization are located.

In his speech, the country's first indigenous president thanked the Bolivian people, social organizations and the Catholic Church for supporting his governmental project.

"In this small but very important act, I take this opportunity to express all my gratitude for these 10 years serving the Bolivian people. We never felt abandoned by social, indigenous, native peoples... who have always accompanied the cultural revolution."

The president arrived in the city at around 5.30 a.m. local time, along with Vice President Alvaro Garcia Linera, dressed in the typical clothes of the Aymaras — a "Wayruro" poncho and a woolen cap.

An indigenous guard escorted them to the Kalasasaya temple where they took their oath for the first time in 2006.

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