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Colombia and the United States sign an MOU to promote labor rights of Colombians in that country

Washington D.C. – Ambassador of Colombia to the United States Luis Carlos Villegas, and U.S. National Labor Relations Board General Counsel Richard F. Griffin Jr., today signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) for the promotion and protection of the labor rights of Colombians living in the United States.

“The agreement will facilitate access for members of the Colombian community in the United States to tools that contribute to guaranteeing their labor rights, regardless of their immigration status,” expressed Ambassador Villegas after the signature.

The MOU will allow Colombians, both workers and employers, to have better knowledge of their labor rights and responsibilities in accordance with U.S. law and with a perspective that focuses on gender equality and related rights.

Additionally, the MOU allows the Colombian government – through its consulates – to have access to training sessions and other cooperation activities that strengthen its capacity to provide better orientation to the Colombian community on labor rights in the United States.

This is another display of the Colombian government’s commitment to the promotion and protection of labor rights for its citizens, both in Colombia and abroad. It is also an important example of the wide and dynamic bilateral relationship that Colombia and the United States share.