MESSAGE

I would like to convey our best wishes to the organizers of the Daily Positive (D+) Carnival South America 2014 in their initiative to share positive messages from all the countries around the world through the Carnival South America 2014. I am sure that the Carnival will provide a great opportunity to explore the cultural diversity of South America.

Venezuela officially called the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela is a country on the northern coast of South America. Venezuela's territory covers around 916,445 square kilometres (353,841 sq mi). Venezuela’s population is 28.9 million, and it grew 1.6% since the previous census of 2001. Of the total, 50.3% are women and 49.7% are men. The official languages are Spanish, Indigenous languages. Venezuela’s political division by territory is 23 states, 1 Capital District and Federal Dependencies made up of 311 islands, keys and islets (little islands).

In spite of the global economic crisis, the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela has achieved high rates of economic growth, surpassing the projections of many international organizations and financial institutions. An economic contraction in 2002-2003 due to a coup attempt and an oil industry sabotage was quickly followed by a recovery. After 2003, the economy grew about 95 percent in five and a half years. In the past ten years, Venezuela’s GDP has risen to about 300 billion dollars. This represents a substantial growth compared to the 1990’s, when GDP was under $100 billion. Today, the country continues to grow during a time of global recession and is the fourth largest economy in the region after Brazil, Mexico and Argentina.

Venezuela is an excellent destination to enjoy and contemplate the different forms of virgin nature. Its beautiful landscapes of exuberant vegetation, fauna and its diversity of cultural manifestations, offers visitors a unique experience.

In these natural places, it is possible to visit colonial coffee and cocoa farms, dive into crystalline water, surf, sail the river rapids, practice sports fishing, watch diverse birds and walk along the Andean mountains or by the Amazon forests. These and other activities that have at its center the enjoyment of the nature and learning of local culture are possible in beautiful and happy Venezuela.

Our best wishes are extended for the success of the Carnival South America 2014

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