



## BEEF

-  #LearnMore Mexico begins exporting Halal certified beef to countries on the Arabian Peninsula [bit.ly/2nAmUOX](http://bit.ly/2nAmUOX)
-  #DidYouKnow that the commercial value of Mexican beef has increased almost 800% in the last 10 years? [bit.ly/2nAmUOX](http://bit.ly/2nAmUOX)
-  Europe is a potential market for Mexican beef exports, especially Italy, the Netherlands, Germany and Russia.
-  The Chinese market holds great potential for Mexican meat products. [bit.ly/2nAmUOX](http://bit.ly/2nAmUOX)

Source: [Agriculture Ministry Press Release](#)



## ACHIOTE

-  #DidYouKnow that achiote (annatto) is native to the Americas and is a key ingredient in many dishes from southeastern Mexico that has been used since pre-Hispanic times? [bit.ly/2nC2QvA](http://bit.ly/2nC2QvA)
-  In pre-Hispanic #Mexico, achiote was not commonly used for cooking. It was a sacred plant associated with blood. #Mexico produces 527 tons of achiote (annatto).
-  Achiote (annatto) is an essential ingredient for cochinita pibil, Yucatan codzitos, vinaigrettes, rice and countless other Mexican dishes. [bit.ly/2nC2QvA](http://bit.ly/2nC2QvA)
-  Achiote (annatto) is native to Mexico and is considered ancestral heritage due to its vitally important agricultural role in Mexico and the world.

Source: [Agriculture Ministry Blog](#)



## OCTAVIO PAZ

-  As a young man, Octavio Paz saw how the Maya were exploited and discovered how important it was to support social causes. This led to two defining events in his life. #LearnMore about them: [bit.ly/2nptya2](http://bit.ly/2nptya2)
-  The poetry of Octavio Paz has become an important part of contemporary music. The song "Amar es combatir" ("To Love Is to Fight") by Monocordio is based on his poem "Piedra de sol" ("Sunstone"). [bit.ly/2nptya2](http://bit.ly/2nptya2)
-  Octavio Paz and Pablo Neruda grew apart due to political reasons. But at Neruda's death, Paz said the Chilean was the best poet of his generation. [bit.ly/2nptya2](http://bit.ly/2nptya2)
-  #LearnMore about these little-known and fascinating stories from the life of Octavio Paz. [bit.ly/2nptya2](http://bit.ly/2nptya2)

Source: [México.Mx](#)

## BLOG/ SRE



Foreign Secretary Luis Videgaray Caso travels to Colombia

Foreign Secretary Videgaray accompanies President Enrique Peña to Costa Rica for the 16th Summit of the Tuxtla Mechanism

Foreign Secretary Videgaray meets with the Canadian Speaker of the House of Commons and a group of parliamentarians

Foreign Secretary Videgaray meets in the Foreign Ministry with mayors and political and business leaders from the Calibaja megaregion

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