

# British Ambassador welcomes donation to fight covid 19 in Guatemala

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Donation by British company AstraZeneca will help Guatemalan health system to cope with the emergency.



Nick Whittingham, British Ambassador and Jorge Luis Calderon, from AstraZeneca

The British Ambassador, Nick Whittingham, has welcomed news that AstraZeneca is donating personal protective equipment (PPE) supplies and quick covid 19 tests to the Guatemalan Government.

The donation from AstraZeneca consists of:

- 1,500 KN95 masks
- 400 insulation gowns
- 3,000 latex gloves
- 500 quick tests of covid 19

Donation will be made to the CONRED for immediate distribution and use in the Guatemalan health system. The company is also making similar contributions to other countries in Central America and the Caribbean.

British Ambassador to Guatemala, Nick Witthingham, said:

We are pleased to see AstraZeneca's vast experience coming to help the Guatemalan health system. The United Kingdom's scientific community is leading the way in battling covid and we want to share these advancements with the world and Guatemala.

AstraZeneca is a global pharmaceutical company with a major UK presence. It works with governments, policy makers and regulatory bodies around the world

to ensure that patients can access innovative medicines when they need them.

The company is also prioritizing a covid 19 vaccine, which was originally developed by Oxford University scientists, who are now working with AstraZeneca on development and production.

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