## Press Releases: The Bureau of Overseas Buildings Operations Breaks Ground on the New U.S. Embassy in Guatemala City, Guatemala

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As a display of our enduring friendship and important bilateral partnership, U.S. Ambassador Luis E. Arreaga broke ground today on the new U.S. Embassy facility in Guatemala City, Guatemala.

The new U.S. Embassy will provide a secure, modern, and environmentally sustainable platform for diplomacy. The project is expected to be completed in 2022.

Miller Hull Partnership of Seattle, Washington, is the design architect and Page of Washington, D.C. is the architect of record. B.L. Harbert International of Birmingham, Alabama is the construction contractor.

As part of the Department's Capital Security Construction Program, the Bureau of Overseas Buildings Operations (OBO) has completed 142 new diplomatic facilities since 1999 with an additional 59 projects in design or under construction.

OBO's mission is to provide safe, secure, and functional facilities that represent the U.S. government to host nations and support our staff in achieving U.S. foreign policy objectives. These facilities represent U.S. values and the best in U.S. architecture, engineering, technology, sustainability, art, culture, and construction execution.

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