

# Mexico City Mayor bids farewell to the winners of the Seoul VTP scholarships

On February 27th, the Mayor of Mexico City, Mr. Miguel Ángel Mancera Espinosa, accompanied by the Coordinator General of the International Affairs Office, Mr. Cuauhtémoc Cárdenas Solórzano, and by Mr. Chi Young Chang, First Secretary of Press and Culture of the Korean Embassy in Mexico, welcomed to the Oval Office of the Old City Hall, six students from Mexico City who recently won a "Vocational Training Program" scholarship granted by the city of Seoul.

It is worth noting that in 1992, the Seoul Metropolitan Government and the Mexico City Government signed a Twinning Agreement, in which both parties agreed to cooperate on issues such as education. As a re-



sult of this agreement, the Seoul government has invited, on six occasions, the Government of Mexico City to nominate young students for their Professional Training Program for International Sister City Youths.

The young scholars will study a technical career, from March to December, at the Seoul Institute of Technology and Education - Nambu Campus, such as sustainable car maintenance, web programming and electricity.

## Mexico City rings in the Chinese New Year

Mexico City joined the Chinese New Year celebrations by readying its streets and avenues, in order to host cultural expressions of the Spring Festival, one of the most important traditional festivities in China.

The activities began on February 15 when, with the Sunday Stroll program entitled "Muévete en Bici" as backdrop,

the celebrations were inaugurated with the participation of the Chinese Embassy in Mexico, in the Glorieta de la Palma, on the Paseo de la Reforma avenue. With drum dances, acrobatics, costume presentations, martial arts, and the dance of dragons, the stage was set to ring in the year 4713 of the Chinese calendar, which corresponds to the Year of the Goat.

From February 19th to 21st, the Lic. Primo de Verdad and Moneda streets, in Mexico City's Historic Center, served as open air theaters, where traditional dances such as the dance of the Lion and the Dragon, welcomed the New Year.



### ● THE AL-LAS PROJECT, ALONG WITH THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS, SIGN A COOPERATION AGREEMENT

On February 18th, the Euro-Latin-American Alliance of Cooperation among Cities (AL-LAs), a project of the Foreign Affairs Office of the Mexico City Government, signed a general cooperation agreement with the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, represented by the Matías Romero Institute and the Directorate General for Political Coordination, providing an institutional framework for the collaboration already being done between the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and the AL-LAs Project.

### ● MEXICO CITY MAYOR MEETS WITH THE AMBASSADOR OF KUWAIT

On the 27th of February, in the midst of the celebrations for the 54th Anniversary of the National Day of Kuwait, Mexico City Mayor, Mr. Miguel Ángel Mancera Espinosa, met with the Ambassador of Kuwait in Mexico, the Honorable Mr. Essa Sameeh Johar Hayat, to discuss possible cooperation projects between our capital city and said country.