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Ghana and Mexico have a long-standing relationship based on mutual solidarity and respect, and on a common commitment to democratic values and the rules-based international system. The governments of both countries have agreed to carry out concrete steps to enhance their dialogue and collaboration, and to support the efforts of the private sectors and civil societies to establish additional links and working relationships.

In this spirit, the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Regional Integration of the Republic of Ghana and the Secretariat of Foreign Relations of Mexico agreed on the establishment of a Consultation Mechanism on Matters of Common Interest. Its first meeting was held today in Accra and was co-chaired by Deputy Minister Charles Owiredu and Deputy Secretary Julián Ventura. These exchanges seek to broaden the scope of the political dialogue, boost economic ties, build upon bilateral cooperation projects, and enhance collaboration in the international scenario.

The reopening of Mexico's embassy in Accra, in 2014, has strengthened the bilateral dialogue and led to new areas of collaboration. The Government of Ghana has transmitted its intention of reopening its embassy in Mexico City as soon as its necessary national procedures are completed, a decision that will greatly contribute to the achievement of the established goals.

Mexico and Ghana will continue to promote trade and investment, as well as people-to-people contacts. The governments will also hold more frequent informal consultations in relevant international fora. These actions will further strengthen the friendship between the two countries and will bring about concrete benefits to our societies.

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