

**HEALTH AND THE ENVIRONMENT
GUALEGUAYCHÚ**

A new city

GUALEGUAYCHÚ, 9 September 2009

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Ambassador
Legal, Technical and Administrative Undersecretary
Ministry of Foreign Affairs, International Trade and Worship
Argentina

**Ref. Report to Ministry of Foreign
Affairs on Events 4-8 September 2009**

Dear Sir,

I wish to refer to the odour events on the General San Martín International Bridge these last few days, which gave rise to air sampling by staff in charge of surveillance and the reporting by the people that were on the bridge at that time.

On Friday, 4 September 2009, at 07:50 a.m. and until 10:30 a.m. Environmental Surveillance staff, Gualeguaychú Municipality, went to the General San Martín International Bridge and smelt a strong odour. They therefore took air samples and photographs. At that time the wind was blowing from the Southwest, shifting then to the South.

On Monday, 7 September 2009, at 04:00 p.m. and until 06:00 p.m. Gualeguaychú Environmental Surveillance staff remained on the General San Martín International Bridge, smelling a strong odour. They thus took samples and photographs. The wind was blowing from the Southwest. Gualeguaychú Environmental Surveillance staff went again to the General San Martín International Bridge from 10:20 p.m. until 12:30 a.m. and smelt a strong odour. They thus took the pertinent samples and photographs. The wind was blowing from the Southwest.

On Tuesday, 8 September 2009, from 11:30 a.m. until 01:00 p.m. Gualeguaychú Environmental Surveillance staff went to the General San Martín International Bridge and smelt a strong odour. They took the pertinent samples and photographs. At that time the wind was blowing from the Southwest. Gualeguaychú Environmental Surveillance staff went again to the General San Martín International Bridge from 03:30 p.m. to 05:40 p.m. and smelt a slight odour so they decided to take samples and photographs. At that time the wind was blowing from the Southwest, changing then to the South.

Yours sincerely,

Attachments: Reports and Photographs

(There appear two illegible signatures followed by seals which read: Dr. Martín R. Piaggio, Undersecretary of Health and the Environment, Gualeguaychú Municipality and Juan José Bahillo, Mayor, Gualeguaychú Municipality).