

**SCOUTS-L**

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**ARGENTINA**

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Dear Scouts-L friends,

**This are very happy news. After many years of unwise division Scouting is re-united again in Argentina!**

**Scouting began in Argentina in 1908, shortly after the publication of "Scouting for Boys". An Scout patrol (of Anglo-Argentine students) greeted B-P on its way to Chile in mid-1908. Chile was the second official Scout Association created in the world. The Scout Association of Argentina (INSA) was founded in 1912 and granted a National Charter in 1917. In the late '30s a Catholic Scout Union (USCA) was created under the auspices of the Roman Catholic Church, and evolved separately until recently.**

**Talks of re-unification were started in the late '70s. Finally, an agreement was reached and a sole and new association was created in Buenos Aires yesterday on a joyful meeting of many hundreds of Scouts from all over the country. The new association, SCOUTS DE ARGENTINA, with about 45-50,000 members, has a very lovely and modern logo and badge and an active and exciting programme. The spiritual dimension of programme is open and egalitarian for all religious groups and faiths.**

**Those willing to send congratulations messages may use fax 54-1 812 6911 or my address below (please write "Scouts" in the subject line). The name of the new President and Chief Scout is Dr. Rodolfo Vincent, formerly the Chief Scout of INSA. The new Executive Director is Jose Accaputo, formerly Chief Scout of USCA.**

**Vivan los Scouts de Argentina!**

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