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Accounts of the visit appeared on television stations and major papers throughout the republic.

Dr. Gamond made arrangements for the visit of Church leaders with Pres. Illia. He has been studying English with missionaries of the Church after Mario Casco, a young member of the Exeiza Branch, arranged with the president of the Argentine Senate to meet the missionaries. Dr. Gamond asked the elders to meet with his family once a week to learn the English language. His 11-year-old son also is studying missionary lessons about the Church.

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