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Increase in minimum wage for 2025

On December 04st, 2024, it was announced that the employer and worker sectors of the National Minimum Wage Commission ("CONASAMI") had reached an agreement for a 20% increase to the minimum wage. This information was confirmed by the Ministry of Labor.

As of January 01st, 2025, minimum wages will be as follows:

- Free Zone of the Northern Border: from \$374.89 pesos to \$419.88 pesos per day (6.5% increase and an Independent Recovery Amount ("IRA"), of \$19.36 pesos).
- General: from \$248.93 pesos to \$278.80 pesos per day (6.5% increase and an Independent IRA of \$12.85 pesos).

Although the increase in minimum wages should not serve as basis to increase wages that are already higher than the minimum wage in individual employment relationships or in collective bargaining agreements, we anticipate that it will put significant pressure on companies, as employees and unions will seek increases higher than the inflation registered by the country at the end of the year. Companies shall have to work on strategy and communication processes to control unions' and workers' expectations.

It is worth mentioning that the objective of the current government is that during the six-year term the minimum wage reaches at least 2.5 times the basic basket.

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