



## Kingdom of Spain

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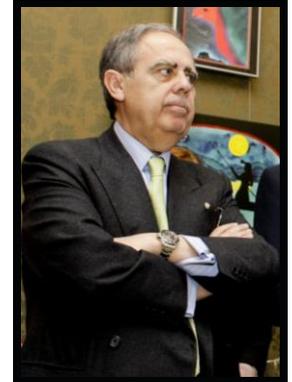
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### About Consul Esteban

Mr. Esteban is an aeronautical engineer by profession and has been employed by Iberia Airlines of Spain for the past thirty-seven years. He received his master's degree in aeronautical engineering at the Polytechnic University in Madrid in 1969.

In 1993, he became the honorary vice consul of Spain and began working on many educational, cultural, and commercial projects involving Spain and the state of Washington. As honorary vice consul, Mr. Esteban has worked with the Spanish government to bring Spanish art to Washington state with exhibitions at the Tacoma Art Museum of paintings by Miró, Picasso, and Dali. In November of 2004, he worked with the Patrimonio Nacional to bring to the Seattle Art Museum a classic exhibit entitled "Spain and the Age of Exploration 1492 -1792," which included some of Spain's greatest paintings. He hosted the King and Queen of Spain who visited Seattle in November of 2004 to honor the exhibit with their presence.



Commercial projects include the purchasing of aircraft from the Boeing Company for Iberia as well as interfacing with other business sectors to improve trade between Spain and Washington state. Mr. Esteban has been honored six times by the Spanish Royal Family with the Spanish Royal medal "Condecoración" for his many programs in behalf of Spain and the United States.

### About Spain

**Location:** Southwestern Europe, bordering the Bay of Biscay, Mediterranean Sea, North Atlantic Ocean, and Pyrenees Mountains, southwest of France.

**Size:** 195,364 square miles (slightly more than twice the size of Oregon)

**Population:** 47,370,542 (July 2013 est.)

**Major Industries:** textiles and apparel (including footwear), food and beverages, metals and metal manufactures, chemicals, shipbuilding, automobiles, machine tools, tourism, clay and refractory products, pharmaceuticals, medical equipment.

Spain is among the many cultural centers of Europe. It is widely known for flamenco dancing, bullfighting, and beautiful castles.

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