Canine Training Advances in Panama



Panama's phytosanitary authorities plan for the canine Units to start working at Tocumen airport in December 2017. The training process for the canine units has had the support of the National Center for Canine Unit Training and Development (CENADUC) of the National Service for Agro-alimentary Public Health, Safety and Quality (SENASICA) of Mexico, as well as OIRSA. These units are expected to strengthen cargo and baggage inspection capacity at the country's border points; thus, reducing the risk of introducing pests and diseases of economic and quarantine importance. By the first quarter of 2018, Honduras and Guatemala will form their respective Canine Units.