Agencia EFE makes "major donation" of photos to Miami Dade College

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Agencia EFE has made a "major donation" of photographs to Miami Dade College’s Museum of Art + Design (MOA+D) and the Lynn and Louis Wolfson II Florida Moving Image Archives, college officials said Thursday.

The 75 photos in the exhibition "EFE: 75 Years of History," which opened in Miami last January to celebrate the news agency's 75th anniversary, have now become part of the permanent MDC collection.

Miami Dade College, the public institute of higher education with the most students in the country, and which curates the MOA+D, said in a communiqué that this museum and the Wolfson Archives will provide access to these images.

The shots will also be shown in the special exhibition "75 Years of EFE Images: Wars, Triumphs, Disasters, People and Politics," to be inaugurated on Feb. 18, 2016, in MDC's historic Freedom Tower.

That exhibition will be made up of photos of newsworthy moments in Ibero-American and world history, with images of historic importance such as Francisco Franco's meeting with Adolf Hitler at the start of World War II, Princess Diana, Martin Luther King, along with pictures of Celia Cruz, Cantinflas and Gabriel Garcia Marquez.

The collection will keep growing as EFE continues to donate, one after another, a photo of "historic significance" that "encapsulates the most important headline of each year," the institute of higher learning said.

"Miami Dade College has been collecting art for more than 50 years and has a long tradition of acquiring engaging and important works of art and design," MOA+D director Jeremy Mikolajczak said. "As an actively collecting institution, we are excited to bring this important aspect of the museum to the public."

The Lynn and Louis Wolfson II Florida Moving Image Archives at Miami Dade College is an official deposit of moving images of the state of Florida and is one of the leading institutions of its kind in the United States.

The exhibition "EFE: 75 Years of History" has been presented throughout almost all of Latin America, as well as in a number of European countries. EFE

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