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AFP honors US Navy with Super Avocado breakfast during Fleet Week

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[Avocados from Peru](#) honored the men and women of the U.S. Navy with a super avocado breakfast on board the *USS Bataan* on May 24 during New York Fleet Week.

Vice Admiral Douglas Perry, Commander of Joint Force Command Norfolk, Commander U.S. 2nd Fleet, and Fleet Director, Combined Joint Operations from the Sea Centre of Excellence, joined Executive Officer Captain Albert Head to host the Avocados from Peru team, which kicked off its campaign by serving a superfoods breakfast to the sailors of the *USS Bataan*, an iconic U.S. Navy vessel, for the second time while honoring U.S. Troops to commemorate Memorial Day.

This was the third time the U.S. Navy has invited Avocados from Peru to serve breakfast during Fleet Week in New York City and the second time on board the *USS Bataan*.

Xavier Equihua, president and CEO of the Peruvian Avocado Commission, and Víctor García Toma, Peruvian Ambassador to the United Nations, represented Peru. Giuseppe and Mario Lanzone, the star chefs who operate the award-winning Peruvian Brothers restaurants and food trucks, prepared breakfast for the sailors.

“It was an honor for us to be invited again to serve breakfast to the sailors of the *USS Bataan* during New York Fleet Week and Memorial Day,” Equihua said. “Serving healthy avocado dishes to these extraordinary men and women is a small token of our appreciation for their sacrifices.”

This event highlighted the strong bilateral relationship between Peru and the United States, celebrating the cultural and culinary connections that bring the two nations together. The super avocado breakfast, featuring Hass avocados from Peru, provided the sailors with a nutritious and delicious start to their day as they participated in Fleet Week activities.

Fleet Week in New York City is an annual event that allows the public to meet U.S. Navy personnel, Marines and Coast Guardsmen while discovering their capabilities firsthand. This year's event was particularly special as it marked the 36th anniversary of Fleet Week in New York City, a tradition that strengthens the bond between the military and the community.

Photo: Xavier Equihua, president and CEO of the Peruvian Avocado Commission, with Vice Admiral Douglas Perry, Commander, Joint Force Command Norfolk Commander, U.S. 2nd Fleet Director,

Combined Joint Operations from the Sea Centre of Excellence, aboard the USS Bataan May 24 in New York during Fleet Week.

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