How to get to Choroní in case we miss you at Caracas Maiquetía Airport

With regards to your arrival at **Caracas Maiquetía Airport** for the NebulAtom workshop, we have your flight information in order to meet you and coordinate your follow-on journey to Choroní. If for any chance we do not make the rendezvous, please follow the instructions below such that you can get to Choroní on your own.

- 1. You will need no more than US\$ 50 in local currency (**bolívar**) that you will have to purchase at the airport. You can do this at the exchange offices at the terminal at the official rate of Bs. 6.30 per US\$. You will also be approached by many individuals with substantially better offers. Please note that there is always an element of risk in the latter transactions.
- 2. You will then walk to the **National Terminal** (5-minute walk) and get a bus to Caracas. Buy the ticket at the office. There are two lines doing this service: SITTSA (6:00 am to 7:00 pm) and UCAMC (5:00 am to 10:00 pm) and the fare should be around Bs 10.00. **Do not** get a taxi to Caracas because you will get ripped off.
- 3. When you get to the Caracas terminal (either Hotel Alba Caracas or Parque Central), please take a taxi to **Terminal La Bandera**. The fare should not be more than Bs. 100,00 which you should negotiate before getting on.
- 4. At La Bandera (not a very nice place at all), take a bus to **Maracay**. There are frequent buses to Maracay so you should not wait too long. **Do not** accept invitations from privateers to take you to Maracay in their cars.
- 5. When you get to the bus terminal in Maracay, there should be frequent and somewhat picturesque buses to Choroní. The main problem on this last lap of the journey will be the loud music the driver will have on, but in many respects, it will be quite enjoyable.
- 6. You can walk from the bus terminal in Choroní to **El Portete**. Ask around for simple directions or use the map that has been previously posted.
- 7. Do not hesitate to phone me in any doubt. My cel phone is 0414-270-8416.

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