

Bolivian Senate leader attacked by police and coup supporters



La Paz, November 13 (RHC)-- The legitimate President of the Senate, Adriana Salvatierra, was violently assaulted by the police as she was trying to enter the Senate on Wednesday in order to comply with the constitutional rule that automatically proclaims the head of the upper chamber the Interim President when the President steps down, after Evo Morales was forced to resign on Sunday.

In a press conference that followed the attack, Salvatierra told reporters that she was ready to open the parliament session and assume the presidency of the Plurinational State of Bolivia as mandated by law.

Instead, she was attacked by police and prevented from entering the parliament. "After the attack, we can observe that we have no guarantee for us to fulfill our legislative mandate," she said from her office at the Legislative Assembly in La Paz, as she suffers from minor injuries from the attack.

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