

# *Bolivia's de-facto president announces run for office in May*

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La Paz, January 26 (RHC)-- Bolivia's de-facto President Jeanine Anez has announced that she will be a candidate in upcoming elections, breaking her own promise not to run for president. The former Senator announced her candidacy at an event in La Paz, despite previously having said she would not be in the running.

"The dispersed vote and candidates who fail to bring Bolivians together has led me to make this decision," she said at a gathering of her political party Democratas (Democrats). Añez has been severely criticized for the excessive use of military force and hurting indigenous rights, racism and overall violence towards supporters of former President Evo Morales.

Running against her and several other far-right figures are the former economy minister Luis Arce Catacora as the candidate for the Movement to Socialism (MAS) party alongside former foreign minister David Choquehuanca, his vice presidential running mate.

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