

Massive political rejection of Peruvian presidential vacancy motion

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March against presidential vacancy

Lima, December 7 (RHC)-- The right-wing intention to impeach Peruvian President Pedro Castillo appeared to be shipwrecked today amid massive rejection in the streets and the decision of most political parties to deny their support for such a move.

Since hours before the Congress of the Republic discussed whether to debate the vacancy motion proposed by the extreme right-wing parties Renovación Popular, Fuerza Popular and Avanza País, political and social organizations marched through the city to defend the president.

The columns of unions, social organizations, progressive parties, converged with their banners and posters repudiating the vacancy, in front of the legislative palace, where a small group mobilized by the vacators was isolated and protected by a police cordon on a sidewalk.

The colorful crowd, with its massive presence, cast doubt on the poll, released today, of a neoliberal biased company that showed a 45% support for the vacancy and a 52% rejection.

The demonstrators rejected, apart from discrepancies and waiting for the clarification and correction of governmental errors, what the participating organizations qualify as an attempt at a parliamentary coup d'état.

At the same time, the seventh of the leftist and opposition parties, outside the vacancy, which defined its position, Acción Popular, announced through its spokesman, Elvis Vergara, that it will not even vote for the admission to debate the right-wing motion.

The group was part of the group of five benches that last night had a long meeting with President Castillo, who today highlighted the meeting in a meeting with mayors of the southern Andean region of Apurimac.

The visitors announced the consensus to reject the vacancy and the President said today that they agreed to prioritize the attention to the major problems affecting the population and the defense of stability and democratic governance.

Prior to that meeting, the Alianza para el Progreso party, of the same center as Acción Popular, announced its decision to vote against the debate of the motion, and the Alianza para el Progreso party, of the same center as Acción Popular, announced that its bench will not vote to debate the bill either.

After these announcements, the promoters of Castillo's dismissal seemed resigned to defeat and were thinking of raising another motion with the same purpose and were hoping that nine dissenting members of the benches opposed to the vacancy would vote for its debate.

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