

Mexican president says a change is needed in Colombia



Massacres take place in Colombia on a daily basis, especially targeting social activists

Mexico City, June 14 (RHC)-- In Mexico, President Andres Manuel Lopez Obrador (AMLO) said that Colombia needs "a real change," referring to Sunday's decisive presidential elections in that country.

AMLO made his statements at the National Palace during his press conference. When asked about the upcoming run-off in Colombia to be held on June 19th, the president told journalists that "a real change is needed" in Colombia, in the U.S. and worldwide.

"A decline can only be confronted with a transformation. Change is needed everywhere," the Mexican president said on the occasion. Recently, the Colombian Foreign Ministry asked AMLO not to intervene in the country's democratic process to respect its sovereignty. Colombia's government referred to the Mexican president's opinions as "a disobliging interference in the internal affairs of our country."

AMLO said that a few weeks ago that Gustavo Petro, representative of all leftist and progressive forces in Colombia, faced a "dirty war" waged by his opponents.

"A real change is needed, but not only in Colombia, but also in the United States and throughout the world, a shake-up is needed (...) the same policy should no longer continue; the people must be put at the center, not the elites," president Andrés Manuel López Obrador.

At this point, AMLO added that he also suffered such media strategies when he ran for the Presidency of Mexico in 2006 and 2012, losing to Felipe Calderón and Enrique Peña Nieto, respectively.

"I send an embrace to Petro from here, and do you know why I embrace him? Because he is facing a dirty war of the most undignified and cowardly. Everything we have already seen and suffered in Mexico," the Mexican president said.

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