

Bolivian right-wing governor charged with bribery and seduction of troops



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Luis Fernando Camacho is arrested and charged for his participation in the "Coup d'Etat I" case. Jan. 13, 2023. | Photo: Twitter/@BonettSol?

La Paz, January 14 (RHC)=== The Bolivian Prosecutor's Office extended the investigation against the governor of Santa Cruz, Luis Fernando Camacho, accusing him of the crimes of active bribery and seduction of troops.

The Minister of Government, Eduardo del Castillo, confirmed the extension of the complaint in statements to the media in which he said that other issues must now be investigated.

The charges are active bribery and seduction of troops in relation to the 2019 protests against the government of then Bolivian President Evo Morales. A recent accusation by del Castillo alleges that former Air Force (FAB) commander Jorge Gonzalo Terceros received money transfers from Governor Camacho.

A report has been requested to the Financial Investigations Unit (UIF) by the Prosecutor's Office, in order to determine who else will be prosecuted, said the Minister of Government.

Camacho remains in preventive detention for a period of four months in the maximum security prison of Chonchocoro. The right-wing governor was arrested by police on December 28th and transferred to La Paz.

He is being tried for terrorism in degree of authorship in the framework of the "Coup d'état I" case. This dates back to the protests that in 2019 forced the resignation of former President Evo Morales.

Camacho is governor of Bolivia's richest region and opposes the ruling leftist political party, Movement Towards Socialism (MAS).

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