Dangerous Tango



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In another attempt to become a referent of the world ultra-right, the radical president of Argentina, Javier Milei, gathered in Buenos Aires representatives of the most rancid conservatism under the auspices of the Conservative Political Action Conference.

This is a movement created in the United States more than 50 years ago by the most recalcitrant segment of the Republican Party, now revived by former President Donald Trump and the next president of the North American country.

Milei, who repeats his admiration for Trump, gathered representatives of the most obstinate ideas in a luxurious hotel in Buenos Aires.

Among them, the leader of the ultra-right Spanish party Vox, Santiago Abascal, and the ultra-conservative former president of Brazil, Jair Bolsonaro, the latter by video conference.

Lara Trump, vice-president of the Republican National Committee of the United States and daughter-in-law of the president-elect, also traveled to Buenos Aires, demonstrating the latter's desire to cultivate closeness with the Argentine.

At the Conservative Political Action Conference, Milei stole the spotlight and delivered a fiery speech insulting progressive leaders, some of whom he has had diplomatic frictions with.

He was careful to review the effects of his adjustment plan, which has brought misery to his country by increasing unemployment and poverty and depriving the elderly and the sick of the most viable access to medicines.

Milei extolled what he defined as the achievements of his first year in office, alluding to the reduction of the fiscal deficit, although he refrained from mentioning the brutal impact of his policies on Argentina's social sphere.

The libertarian praised Donald Trump and his Salvadoran counterpart, Nayib Bukele, the latter questioned inside and outside his country for violating human rights in his zeal to neutralize gangs.

The Argentine ruler, who eliminated dozens of government agencies and official dependencies, meant what he called the biggest adjustment in history, without mentioning that he cut subsidies and stopped public works.

When the lights that illuminated the meeting of unbridled right-wing ideologues, with tango shows and stray allusions to freedom, went out, there were few useful messages left for Argentina and beyond.

The far right is gathering in the shadow of Donald Trump's return to the White House, and the Argentine statesman is offering himself as a guide for the maneuver.

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