

Twitter Mocks Mexican Politician's 'Crime Backed' Election Run



Mexico City, May 9 (teleSUR-RHC)-- Ricardo Barroso Agramont, a governor candidate of the Mexican state of Baja California made an embarrassing "gaffe" about the funding of his campaign on Thursday.

After claiming his government will be free of organized crime, and that his political career was "transparent," the candidate for the currently ruling Institutional Revolutionary Party (PRI) added that funding of his campaigns "came, without any doubt, from organized crime".

Despite the candidate's efforts later to explain he had meant the contrary, blaming an "error of diction," social networks users soon commented that the slip-up was actually very meaningful, suggesting that the politician was betrayed by his subconscious.

"I apologize about the diction error I made yesterday. And to make things very clear, my campaign is NOT funded by organized crime. Thank you," said the candidate, whose delay in correcting the mistake was also subject of mockery.

“You realized [your mistake] yesterday and you waited so long to apologize about your “mistake.” To be honest what an idiot you are, on top of being a drug-dealer.” His affiliation to the ruling conservative PRI party was considered as an additional proof of his corruption: “WOW!! An honest member of PRI, you don’t get to see that everyday. Bravo Gentleman. Apologize and resign.”

“Why don’t you rather stop pretending, you stop acting like an idiot, and give up the candidacy, or are you that stupid?” Mexico has been increasingly aware of the extent to which organized crime has penetrated state institutions especially since the 43 students from Ayotzinapa disappeared in Sept. 2014, a case that led to the arrest of the mayor, Juan Abarca, the mastermind behind the crime.

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