

# *Panama Papers: Macri's Strategy to Clean Up a Mess of His Own*

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Buenos Aires, Apr 15 (RHC-PL) With the scandal for his involvement in the offshores, and exposed in the international probe of the case Panama Papers, the government of Mauricio Macri has launched a new strategy to “clean up his image”.

Macri claimed he sent a declaration on his patrimony to the head of Argentina's antiCorruption Office, Laura Alonso, but failed to say who is Alonso, and whose interests she represents. As soon as the international scandal of the Fiscal paradise broke up, she knew the President was involved, and tried to defend him.

In this context, it does not come of a surprise that many Legislators from different political trends have requested Alonso's resignation, for in her view, Argentina should pay every cent as the hedge fund investors demand.

However, she forgot that the non governmental organization she belongs to –Vital Voice-- received contributions from Paul Singer, the leading investor in the Vulture Funds that took Argentina to trial to force her to pay him and other hedge fund owners.

Ari Lijalad, a journalist leading the thorough investigation of the role the foundations and NGOs in

Argentina, has said: "Laura Alonso is a clear example of the US intrusion in Argentina's internal affairs.

People like Alonso, obey "to different security agencies or US organizations". She has these connections from Poder Ciudadano, financed by the US Embassy and the National Endowment for Democracy (NED), and an instrument of the US Congress to inject money to their sponsors around the world.

It is evident that whenever there is US interest involved, Alonso shows up too. From her close ties with prosecutor Alberto Nisman, to alleged spying by pro Kirchner forces, to her insults against former President Fernandez, or the lies to tamper the investigation for possible fiscal fraud by Mauricio Macri-Alonso always police their interests with good media support, and "that deserves deep probing", said journalist Ari Lijalad.

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