

Brazilians Rally in Sao Paulo to Support President Dilma Rousseff



Brasilia, April 27 (RHC-teleSUR)-- Hundreds of people have rallied in the Brazilian city of Sao Paulo to show their support for President Dilma Rousseff in her ongoing impeachment battle.

The demonstration was held at Ramos Square on Tuesday, with protesters, mostly women, playing musical instruments. They also held banners denouncing vice President Michel Temer, who seeks to replace Rousseff, and President of the Chamber of Deputies Eduardo Cunha.

The demonstration came in response to an article in a Brazilian magazine that said Temer's wife, Marcela, is "beautiful, maiden-like and a housewife." One protester said that the demonstration was organized to "say no to the coup, no to this chauvinist media that is trying to impose norms of conduct and beauty on us. We are here to defend democracy."

On April 17, two-thirds of the 5 hundred and 13 delegates in Brazil's lower chamber of Congress voted in favor of impeaching Rousseff, based on allegations that she manipulated fiscal rules in the lead-up to her 2014 reelection. Brazil's Senate is expected to vote by no later than May 17 on whether to hold an

impeachment trial for the president. If the Senate votes to accept the case, Temer will become Brazil's acting president for a maximum of 1 hundred 80 days until a final verdict is reached.

Rousseff once again denied the allegations in a speech in the city of Salvador, saying that there were no grounds for the case and those pushing for her impeachment were corrupt.

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