

Mexican Education Minister Will Revise Reforms Without CNTE



Mexico City, July 14 (RHC-teleSUR) -- Mexican Minister of Education Aurelio Nuño Mayer said Wednesday that he will revise the education reform that has been at the center of intense CNTE-led protests, but that he will only consult the rival SNTE union.

Nuño Mayer has drawn intense criticism for refusing to negotiate with the CNTE teachers, who have been leading months-long blockades across the country that were subject to intense police repression. The teachers, mostly based in rural southern states, argue that the neo-liberal reforms put poorer and Indigenous students at a disadvantage. They have demanded meetings with the education ministry, but Nuño Mayer has insisted that they accept the reforms before coming to the table.

The main purpose of the revisions will be to improve implementation of evaluations and make them more context-specific, focusing on its application, the platform for publishing findings, cleaning up databases, accreditation of evaluators, and communication between the school and the teacher.

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