6.8-Magnitude Quake Causes Damage in Antigua, Guatemala



Guatemala City, June 23 (RHC)-- A 6.8-magnitude earthquake early Thursday damaged iconic buildings in Guatemala's city of Antigua, a popular tourist destination, local media reported.

The quake was centered 38 km southwest of the Pacific coast town of Puerto San Jose, according to the U.S. Geological Service (USGS), and was felt in southern Mexico as well as neighboring El Salvador.

Several historic colonial-era buildings in Antigua, located in south-central Guatemala, not far from the quake's epicenter, sustained cracks, the daily Prensa Libre said, while some other structures were toppled.

The government announced that here have been no reports of deaths, but four people were injured in the quake.



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