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Lima, April 22 (RHC)-- Peruvian presidential candidate Pedro Castillo, of the Peru Libre party, reiterated Tuesday at a press conference that he does not plan to change anything in his government plan as the second round of elections in his country approaches, when he will face the neoliberal Keiko Fujimori.

"Many people coming to offer us points of view; it is important, welcome. There are great concerns from different sectors. I thank the various unions, collectives, living organizations of the country," commented Castillo to local media.

In addition to this, in a video broadcast this Monday from his Twitter account, Castillo assured that in this second round of elections he will campaign with concrete proposals necessary for the country and will not be based on attacks or low blows.

"With this same mettle, with this same loyalty to my people we will conduct this second round in each of the towns and we will deliver the proposals that the country needs," stressed the Peru Libre candidate.

In his message, Castillo added that "in the current political scenario great proposals must be put forward, based on the people with the greatest needs throughout the national territory."

After revealing last Sunday the majority support to the Andean master over his rival Keiko Fujimori, according to a private Ipsos poll, (Castillo, 42 percent; Fujimori, 31 percent) liberal media have unleashed a matrix of opinion against him.

In spite of this, the populist leader has reiterated his decision to maintain a vision of fair distribution of the country's wealth. For this reason, he has received expressions of support from social and environmental activist groups and personalities such as former Bolivian president Evo Morales, who said that his government program is "similar to ours: democratic and peaceful cultural revolution".

The former president added that Castillo is "defending natural resources and promoting a Constituent Assembly, for the benefit of the people so that there is social justice."

For its part, the environmentalist party Frente Amplio, expressed in a communiqué its willingness to dialogue with Castillo, to join forces for the second round on June 6.

In the communiqué, the Frente Amplio considers that the results of the elections in the first round demonstrated the discontent of the popular majorities hit for decades by the policies of a neoliberal State, the main victims of the pandemic.

Other contacts in this sense have come from Peruvian parties that were left out of the presidential race, such as the leftist bloc Juntos por el Perú (JP) and its candidate Verónica Mendoza, as well as the party Democracia Directa, and its leader, Andrés Alcántara.

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