

Roads blocked by pro-Bolsonaro supporters in Brazil ordered cleared

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Roads were blocked on Monday by protesters who do not recognize Lula da Silva's electoral victory. | Photo: EFE?

Brasilia, November 1 (RHC)-- Brazil's Supreme Electoral Court (TSE) ordered on Monday that the government take immediate measures to clear the routes blocked by truckers who do not accept the defeat of President Jair Bolsonaro in the ballot held on Sunday.

The president of the TSE, Alexandre de Moraes, said that the Federal Highway Police (PRF, for its acronym in Portuguese) "has not fulfilled its constitutional and legal task," with which the director of that entity, Silvinei Vasques, could be dismissed or arrested.

De Moraes, in this sense, ordered Vasques to take "immediately all necessary measures to clear" the roads that are "illegally" blocked. Roads in at least 16 states of the South American giant were blocked on Monday by truck drivers and other protesters refusing to recognize the electoral victory of former president Luiz Inácio Lula da Silva over the outgoing president.

The former head of state obtained 50.9 percent of the valid votes cast in the ballot held last Sunday, while Bolsonaro reached 49.1 percent. Lula, who will assume his new mandate on January 1, 2023, won the presidential election in the second round and became the candidate who received the most votes in Brazil's history by obtaining more than 60 million 340,000 votes.

Naco Lemus, teleSUR's correspondent in the South American country, published a tweet in which he informed that early Tuesday morning, the federal traffic police began to free a road in the municipality of Camanducaia, in the state of Minas Gerais.

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