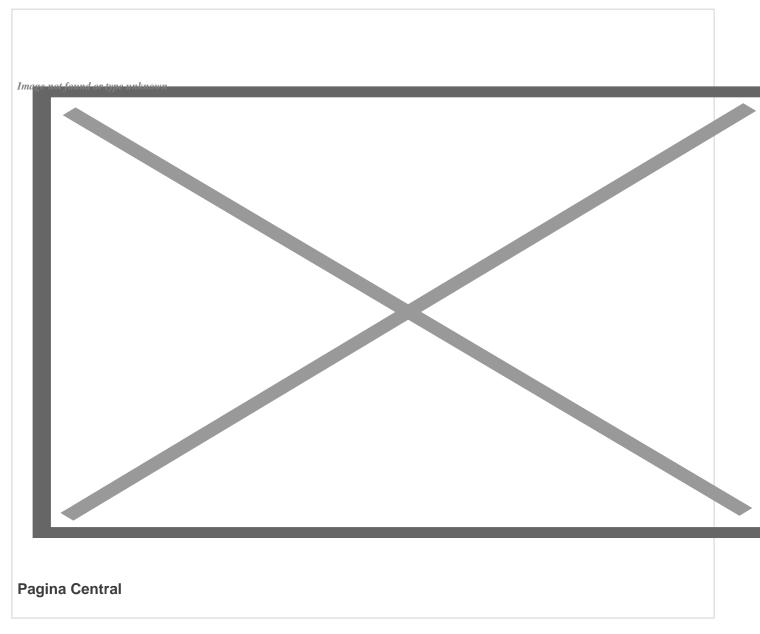
The right wing and its destabilizing actions in Latin America



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The right wing is on the prowl in Latin America. Its recent failures at the polls that have brought progressive governments to power have meant a hard blow to its aspirations. Hence, it has set in motion its coup machinery and stepped up its ideological attacks through social networks and the mass media.

There we have the recent case of Brazil, which lived this Sunday hours of uncertainty and violence. Through a coup attempt, ultra-right-wing elements, followers of former president Jair Bolsonaro, sought to reverse the results of last October's general elections in which Luiz Inácio Lula Da Silva, who assumed the presidency on January 1, won.

But Brazil is not the only example, unfortunately, there we have Peru and Bolivia, where the situation is very tense. The right wing does not rest in its destabilizing actions against the government presided by Luis Arce, the undisputed winner of the 2020 general elections.

Several have been the pretexts used in recent months to, evidently, reedit the coup assaults of November 2019 against the then head of state Evo Morales, also democratically elected at the polls.

The celebration in 2024 of the Population and Housing Census was the excuse used to generate violence and call for a strike by the opposition governor of Santa Cruz, Luis Fernando Camacho. The Santa Cruz elite demanded that it be brought forward one year and held in 2023.

These were days in which attacks against communities, looting and burning of social organizations, acts of discrimination, and the right of Santa Cruz citizens to work and free mobility were violated.

The government, always willing to dialogue, set up technical tables on the Census, but as expected, the representatives of Santa Cruz abandoned the talks and the exchange of criteria.

Now, in a new maneuver, the opposition tried to show as a kidnapping the detention of Camacho at the end of December, for his involvement in the coup against Morales three years ago, which led to the irregular proclamation of Jeanine Áñez as president of the country.

According to reports, Camacho also benefited from the violent event by placing several of his close associates at the head of some ministries in the coup government.

The Bolivian president has called to preserve peace and stability in the nation, and to avoid unconstitutional actions such as the coup d'état of 2019, which provoked the massacres of Senkata and Sacaba, which left 37 people murdered, more than a THOUSAND wounded and hundreds of innocent people persecuted and imprisoned.

But the right wing does not cease in its actions against constitutional governments, against democracy in Latin America. And it is good not to lose sight of its long history of participation and support to coup assaults and military dictatorships.

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