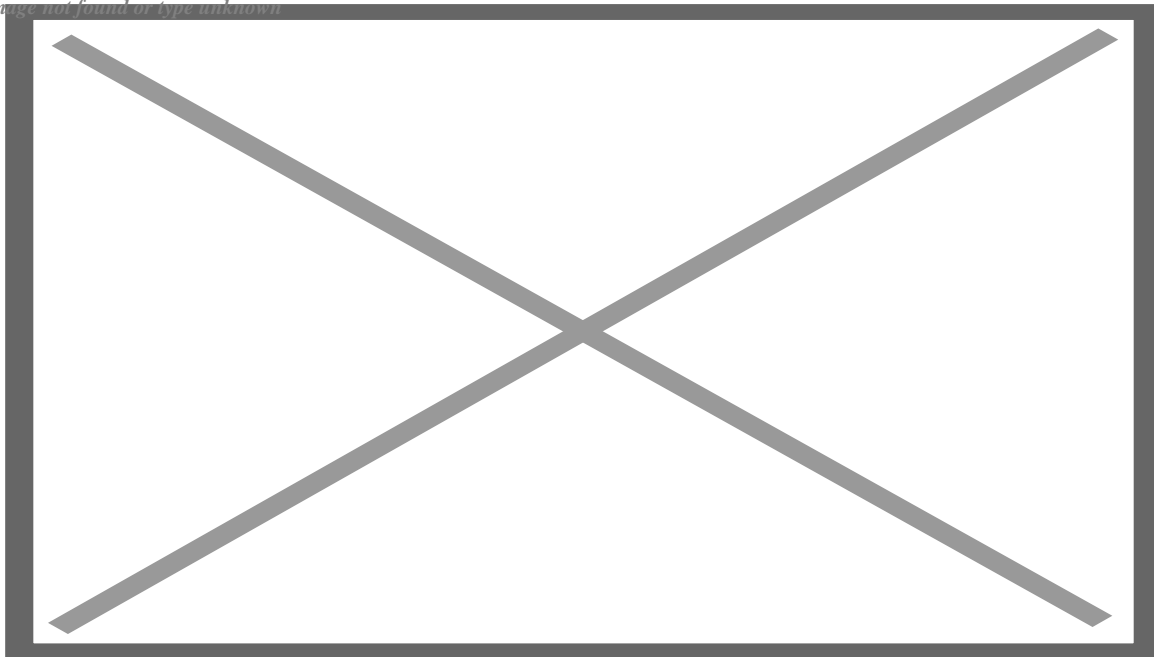


Decision to try Jeanine Áñez through ordinary courts in Bolivia

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La Paz, January 25 (RHC)-- The Bolivian justice system has determined that former de facto president Jeanine Áñez should be tried through the ordinary courts and not in a trial of responsibility in parliament after the deaths that occurred during the coup against Evo Morales in 2019.

The First Criminal Court of Instruction of El Alto, in La Paz, affirmed that Áñez should not have privileges due to the fact that he assumed the presidency of Bolivia through illegal means. The court also stated that the final decision will be determined by the Supreme Court of Justice since the case is in the appeal stage on behalf of the defense.

Judge Marco Amaru rejected the request of the Bancada de Comunidad Ciudadana (CC) for the Senkata case to be transferred to the parliament for a trial of responsibilities and declared himself competent to prosecute Áñez in the ordinary courts.

The Senkata case refers to the events that occurred in November 2019, when agents of the police and the Armed Forces killed 10 people and left 31 other people with gunshot wounds who were protesting against the coup d'état.

In June 2022, a sentence was issued for the case called Coup d'Etat II, where Áñez was sentenced to 10 years in prison for the crimes of breach of duties and resolutions contrary to the Constitution.

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