

Argentinian government eliminates teleSUR signal from Open Digital Television grid

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Caracas, May 6 (RHC)-- After the government of Argentinian President Javier Milei eliminated the signal of the multi-platform information platform teleSUR from the Open Digital Television (TDA) grid in Argentina, many personalities have shown their support for teleSUR.

The sectoral vice president of Communications, Culture and Tourism of Venezuela, Freddy Nájuez, shared the statement broadcast by teleSUR denouncing the act and highlighted that "media censorship

takes over Argentina."

A statement released by teleSUR in Caracas >

The media censorship directed against teleSUR in Argentina represents a serious attack on the right to information, by limiting access to dissident voices, restricting plurality of information, undermining the possibility of holding informed opinions and actively participating in public debate; in a scenario where the diversity of opinions and the free circulation of ideas are fundamental for the functioning of a democratic society.

At the human cost of the chainsaw that cut off retirements and pensions, reduced public salaries, increased the poverty of millions of Argentines and that threatens to extinguish, through deeds, the well-known Argentine public education; Now there is a deafening blast against freedom of expression and the plurality of voices, which paves a worrying setback on the path towards a society that builds its own criteria and sovereign thought.

Those who wield discourses of freedom, with their actions, which is what counts, curtail that freedom from a project that builds sovereignty.

We understand that a sign that smells and tastes like Patria Grande causes mortification.

The Macri government had already denounced the agreement with the same background and actions. Just as on that occasion, teleSUR never left, they will not succeed now either. They are only portrayed and the new world that resists and advances in dignity, today in Palestine, Nicaragua, Bolivia, Cuba and Venezuela, observes them in their low-quality work and with consequences not yet calculated.

While they dedicate themselves to destroying, we will continue to build this signal that unites us, because it allows us to recognize each other from Tierra del Fuego to Mexico and we will be, more and more, the signal of the global SOUTH.

Our multiplatform will continue to build a symphony of voices through its various channels and platforms, connecting people in the defense of the right to information as a pillar of freer and fairer societies.

From Argentina, political scientist Atilio Borón expressed in his account on the social network illuminated."

The "enlightened despot" who governs Argentina attacks Telesur. He wants us to be stupid and uninformed, but he won't succeed. His adherence to the principles of freedom is farcical, he does not support freedom of the press. @JMilei will end up in the sewer of history. <https://t.co/nYdOhRnDy2>

— Atilio Boron (@atilioboron) May 6, 2024

Meanwhile, Argentinian sociologist Lautaro Rivara also stressed that this is a "very serious" fact and assured that "libertarian "freedom" does not extend to the right to information and communication," while specifying that something similar occurred during the Government of Mauricio Macri, but "they could not and will not be able to."

Likewise, the Spanish sociologist Aníbal Garzón indicated that the decision of the Argentine Government is one more example of what "democracies" do, in quotes, and in addition to the closure of the media by Argentina, he exemplified the closure of the Russia Today channel signal by the European Union; from Press TV in the United States and from Al Jazeera in Israel.

They boast of saying that they are free and modern democracies, that respect freedoms and among them the sacrosanct freedom of the press, but Israel, supposedly the democracy of the Middle East, and Milei's "libertarian" Argentina, close Al Jazeera and Telesur.

Fascism and its forms. pic.twitter.com/ufRtLd3QwJ

— Rural Press Agency (@PrensaRural) May 6, 2024

From Cuba, the political analyst and director of the Mesa Redonda space, Randy Alonso, highlighted that "teleSUR is more than Milei."

In that sense, the Prensa Rural agency also denounced that the governments of Argentina and Israel "boast that they are free and modern democracies, that they respect freedoms and among them the sacrosanct freedom of the press," but they close channels such as teleSUR and Al Jazeera, respectively.

For his part, French journalist Romain Migus indicated that "Milei attacks freedom of expression and the right of Argentines to be informed in a plural way by censoring the Latin American channel teleSUR."

Argentine politicians such as the founder of the Concertación Forja Party, Gustavo López, expressed that in his country "there is no right to audiences, no plural views or diversity." In this regard, he denounced that the Milei Government is "against freedom of expression."

Meanwhile, users on social networks have also expressed their condemnation of the closure of the multiplatform signal, claiming that the fact shows that Argentina is in the hands of the right, while the United States remains silent.

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