

Guatemalan Protesters Call for President to Resign over Corruption Ring



Guatemala City, May 20 (RHC)-- Guatemalan protesters are calling for President Otto Pérez Molina to resign amidst a corruption scandal which has forced the resignation of his vice president and seen tens of thousands take to the streets.

Last month, authorities issued arrest warrants for 22 people accused of taking part in a criminal network which took bribes in exchange for lower customs taxes. Those arrested included the current and former heads of the tax administration, and the private secretary of Vice President Roxana Baldetti, who subsequently resigned.

Over the past several days, tens of thousands of people have taken to the streets in cities across the country to call for President Pérez Molina to step down.

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