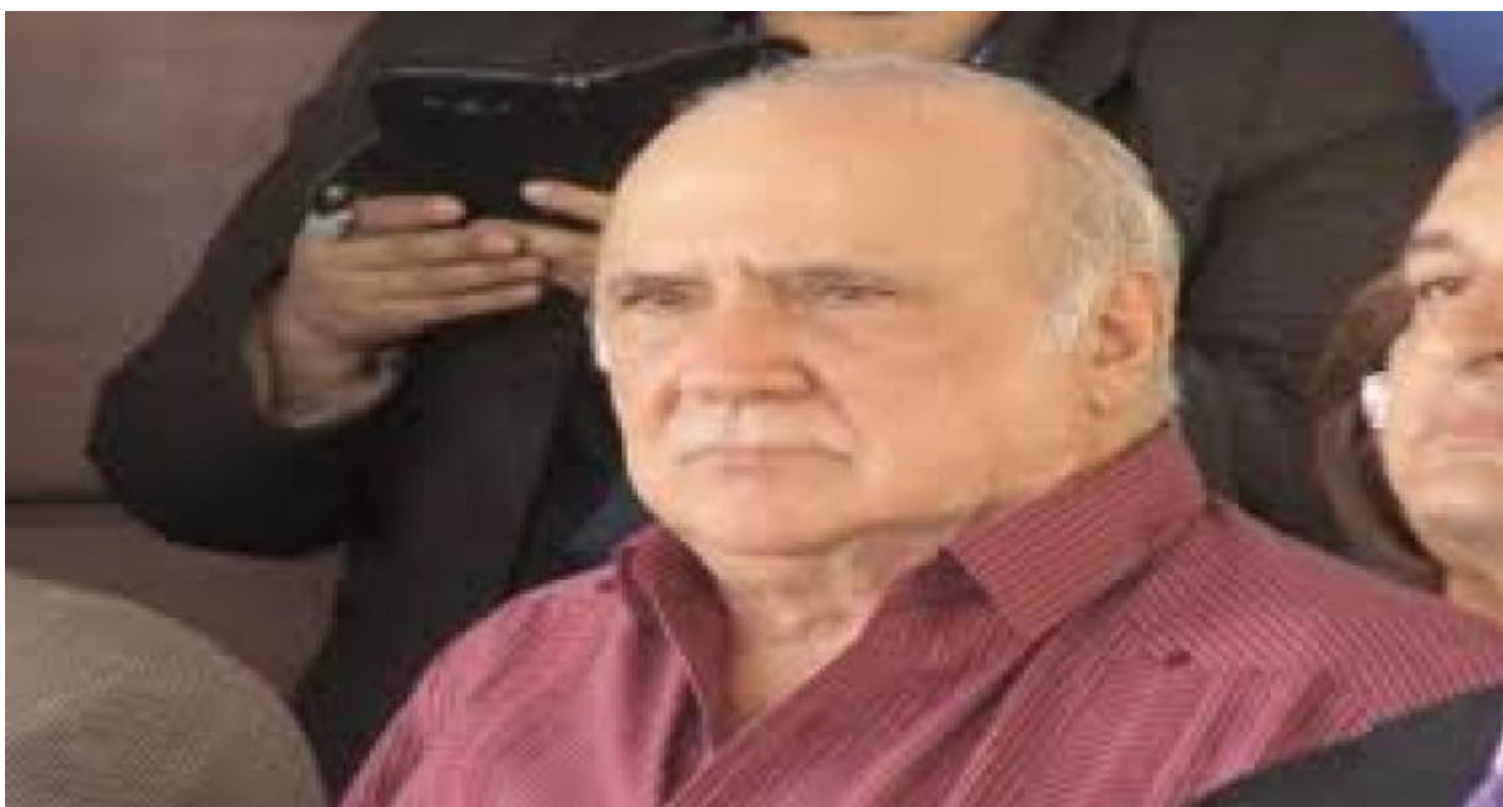


Former Panamanian Vice President Arrested in Corruption Probe



Panama City, June 5 (RHC-PRESSTV) — The former vice president of Panama, Felipe Virzi, has been arrested on charges of money laundering in an ongoing investigation.

Virzi allegedly raked in millions of dollars for illegally assisting a company to obtain a government contract.

He was the vice president of Panama from 1994 to 1999, spending a total of five years in public office in the Central American country.

Virzi was the business partner of ex-president Ricardo Martinelli, who himself is being investigated by authorities on similar charges.

Anti-corruption prosecutors investigating the case have ordered Virzi's arrest.



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