

## CIA Installed Dictatorship Replaces Democracy in Bolivia

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Evo Morales is Bolivia's democratically elected and three-times reelected Bolivian president.

In cahoots with Bolivian fascists, military and police, along with US imperial tool Organization of American States (OAS), CIA forces toppled Morales for not subordinating the country's sovereign rights to US interests.

Morales' majority Movement for Socialism (MAS) legislators were intimidated and threatened not to interfere with the coup.

In response to the OAS' Big Lie about electoral fraud, none occurring, Pompeo congratulated the organization for serving US interests over the rights and welfare of Bolivia and its people.

Separately, he thanked self-declared, unelected, illegitimate usurper president Jeanine Anez for "lead(ing) her nation through this democratic transition (sic)" the Trump regime went allout to eliminate, CIA-installed fascist tyranny replacing it.

An unnamed senior state department official called transition to despotism in Bolivia "a significant moment for...democracy in our hemisphere" — a notion both extremist right wings of the US one-party state abhor, especially at home.

Anti-Morales Bolivians in the streets post-election, "standing up for (the) legitimacy of their electoral process," were CIA-recruited thugs.

Key Bolivian military and police officials were enlisted to support the coup. At first, majority pro-Morales legislators couldn't enter parliament because security forces refused to guarantee their safety.

Days later, they formed a legislative quorum, swearing in MP Monico Eva Copa as Senate president and Sergio Choque as lower house Chamber of Deputies president.

Pro-Morales supporters control of Bolivia's Legislative Assembly for now, tenuous at best without military and police support.

Anez illegally self-declared herself president, breaching the constitutional requirement for a parliamentary quorum to be in session for approval.

She breached articles 161, 169 and 410 of the Constitution.

Article 161 lists the Legislative Assembly's functions, a quorum required for them to be

performed. They include "accept(ing) or reject(ing) the resignation of the president (and) vice president."

Article 169 states the following:

"In the event of an impediment or definitive absence of the President, he or she shall be replaced by the Vice President and, in the absence of the latter, by the President of the Senate, and in his or her absence by the President of the Chamber of Deputies. In this last case, new elections shall be called within a maximum period of ninety days."

"In case of temporary absence, the Vice President shall assume the Presidency for a term not to exceed ninety days."

Article 410 states:

"Every person, natural and legal, as well as public organs, public functions and institutions, are subject to the present Constitution."

"The Constitution is the supreme norm of Bolivian law and enjoys supremacy before any other normative disposition."

Anez is a US-anointed hard-right political nobody, elected to Bolivia's Senate in 2014 with 91,895 votes – 1.7% of 5,171,428 ballots cast.

Until the CIA coup, most Bolivians knew little or nothing about her. Telesur noted that "Latin America recorded a new 'self-swearing' in coup script that, without a doubt, seems familiar," adding:

"Violence in the country continues by radical opposition groups that have burned indigenous population symbols."

"Meanwhile in La Paz, (the country's political capital) thousands of supporters of Evo Morales are being mobilized in rejection of the coup d'etat and its discriminatory and racist acts."

"Over 4,500 Twitter accounts (were) created to legitimize (the illegitimate) coup (with) almost no followers," Telesur reported, citing Menta Communication's Luciano Galup, adding:

"These action have scant effect on domestic politics...But worldwide they can function as (pro-coup) propaganda" — a way for dictatorships and their sponsors to legitimize what's illegitimate.

Calling Twitter's action "a scandal," Galup noted that 3,612 accounts have "between zero and one follower," adding:

"(T)he most scandalous thing is there are 4,492 accounts that were created between yesterday and today to participate in the (coup). They created 4,492 accounts in two days."

Images released support it. On Friday, illegitimate coup d'etat regime communications minister Roxana Lizarraga threatened independent journalists reporting accurately on what's going with "sedition," saying:

"Law will be fully enforced against those journalists or pseudo-journalists who are seditious, whether they are nationals or foreigners (sic)," warning:

The (illegitimate) interior ministry is compiling a list of journalists opposed to the coup d'etat regime.

Arrests were made, more likely to follow. The coup d'etat regime cut diplomatic ties to Venezuela, ordered its embassy staff to leave the country — one day after Anez usurped power, likely acting on orders from Washington.

Separately, she warned that if Morales returns to Bolivia, his legal right, he'll face charges, falsely saying:

"He knows he has to answer to justice (sic). There is an electoral crime (sic). Nobody has thrown him out, but yes, there's a need for him to respond regarding electoral fraud (sic), in addition to many allegations of corruption (sic)."

Earlier she said her (illegitimate) foreign ministry will file an official complaint with Mexico's Andres Manuel Lopez Obrador's government for granting Morales asylum.

Coup d'etat regime foreign minister Karen Longaric announced Bolivia's withdrawal from the Bolivarian Alliance for the Peoples of Our America (ALBA).

Established in 2004 by Venezuela and Cuba, other regional nations joining the alliance. The international organization is all about cooperative social, political and economic integration of Latin American and Caribbean nations.

Large-scale pro-Morales protests continue in La Paz and elsewhere — demanding Anez resign, calling for reinstatement of Morales as Bolivia's legitimate president.

CIA-installed usurpers control things. Resistance continues. The US got another imperial trophy if its dark forces can keep it — no guarantee given Bolivia's long history of resisting tyranny.

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