

Protesters Demand Resignation of Corrupt Officials



Guatemala City, March 8 (RHC-teleSUR) -- An estimated 35,000 protesters marched through the streets of Guatemala City Wednesday to demand the resignation of corrupt officials, including President Jimmy Morales.

The protests, organized by the Committee for Rural Development, or Codeca, are calling for the resignations of more than 100 politicians who received bribes from Brazilian construction company Odebrecht for a project to build a highway in Guatemala.

Demonstrators are also protesting against Morales, a former actor whose campaign slogan was "Not Corrupt, Not a Thief," for failing to address problems in Guatemala such as insecurity, controversial hydroelectric projects and a generalized culture of corruption.

The group of protesters congregated outside the congress building in one of the biggest demonstrations since the country's historic "Renuncia Ya," or "Resign Now," movement forced the resignation of former President Otto Perez Molina in September 2015.



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