

Guatemala's Volcán de Fuego erupts for second time



Guatemala City, June 5 (RHC)-- In Guatemala, authorities from the Central American country said that at least 70 people died and many more injured by two eruptions of the volcano Volcán de Fuego.

A hot flow of mud, ash and gas swept down from the volcano on Monday, after a new explosion in the morning interrupted disaster workers pulling bodies from the brown sludge known as a pyroclastic flow that engulfed the village of El Rodeo. The morning eruption also halted rescue efforts on the southern slopes of the mountain.

The Guatemalan national disaster agency raised the death toll to 70, but it was unclear whether more bodies had been found from the first eruption on Sunday or whether more people died in second.

The volcanic eruption, 25 miles southwest of the capital Guatemala City, has buried whole villages in lava. The death toll is expected to rise as search and rescue efforts continue.

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