

Honduran protesters demonstrate against privatization plans



Tegucigalpa, May 31 (RHC)-- In Honduras, tens of thousands of protesters joined striking educators in the streets of the capital Tegucigalpa and other major cities in recent days, protesting plans by President Juan Orlando Hernández's government to privatize healthcare, pensions and education. The reforms would also expedite budget cuts and ignite mass layoffs.

The government said earlier this week that it would enforce sanctions and criminal charges against teachers and medical personnel involved in any of the demonstrations. Dozens of protesters were injured earlier this week as roadblocks and other mobilizations throughout the country were met with tear gas and violent repression from the Honduran police and military.

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