

Thousands protest against Boris Johnson's maneuver to close British parliament



London, September 1 (RHC)-- In response to the "Stop the Coup" call made by the "Another Europe is Possible" movement, thousands of people took to the streets in London, Manchester, Oxford, Glasgow, Birmingham, Brighton, Swansea, Bristol, Liverpool and other cities to reject the five-weeks closure of the Parliament prompted by Prime Minister Boris Johnson.

In Central London, near Downing Street where the PM's official residence is located, the British protesters shouted: 'What do we want? Democracy! When do we want it? Now!', 'Boris Johnson, shame on you' and 'Hey, hey, ho, ho, Boris Johnson's got to go' -- The Guardian reported.

"The public outrage at Boris Johnson shutting down democracy has been deafening. People are right to take to the streets," the Labour Party leader Jeremy Corbyn said and encouraged "everyone to join the demonstrations in London and across the country."

Consequently with such widespread feeling, demonstrations in at least 32 cities, in Britain and Northern Ireland, were reported by local media over the weekend. This massive response was expected to be accompanied by other unusual actions in this country: Momentum, a left-wing organization attached to the

Labor Party, called to occupy bridges and block roads.

“Disruption is the only form of leverage protesters can rely on,” said Michael Chessum, the former president of the University of London students’ union, who describes himself as “hard left,” The Telegraph reported.

???“Ultimately we are not going to persuade Boris Johnson to change his mind through some intellectual exercise... this process needs to force the government to change its course,” he added.

As part of his offers to his supporters, PM Johnson pledged to take Britain out of the European Union (EU) on October 31st. In order to do so, he asked Queen Elizabeth to shut the British parliament for three weeks.

This move is aimed at hindering efforts by his political opponents to stop him from performing a "Hard Brexit", whereby the U.K. will leave not only the EU institutions but also the EU single market and customs union.

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