

OAS chief interferes in electoral process in Dominica



Roseau, November 21 (RHC)-- The Organization of American States' chief Luis Almagro commented about the protests against the government of Dominica that took place this week, supporting the opposition and demanding an electoral reform ahead of the upcoming elections.

The former French and British colony of about 75,000 residents is holding new elections on December 6th. However, the opposition United Workers' Party has been pushing the governing party to enact reforms in a bid to gain a better electoral advantage.

More than 200 protesters clashed with the police when they tried to march to President Charles Savarin's home Monday night to call for reforms. According to news reports, the security forces set up barricades in Roseau as the protesters called for the implementation of electoral reforms, which were dictated by the Organization of American States at a meeting in August.

Dominica's Prime Minister Roosevelt Skerrit has since addressed the small Caribbean island nation to condemn the "intrusion of violence into the election campaign," pointing out that the protesters are not demonstrating because of electoral reform, as previously reported by the Western media.



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