Report says Colombia spied and collected data on journalists, union leaders, politicians



Bogota, May 6 (RHC)-- In Colombia, an investigative report alleges Colombian military intelligence officials carried out a massive surveillance operation targeting over 130 individuals, including politicians, union leaders and more than two dozen Colombian and international journalists, including reporters working at The New York Times and The Wall Street Journal.

The military reportedly has a database with personal data, including home addresses, phone numbers and information on family members and colleagues. Press freedom groups are demanding right-wing Colombian President Iván Duque investigate the allegations.

Reuters reports the Colombian Defense Ministry has announced the ouster of 11 unnamed military officials, and the resignation of a military general, linked to the scandal.



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