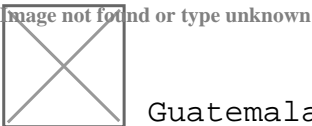


Guatemalan Court Suspends Dictator Rios Montt's Genocide Trial



Guatemala City, August 19 (teleSUR-RHC)-- A Guatemalan court postponed the trial of former dictator Efraín Ríos Montt. The court decision will be postponed until August 25th, stated Judge María Eugenia Rodríguez Cereceres. However, none of the doctors took a stance on whether Rios Montt was mentally competent to stand trial. In May 2013, Rios Montt was found guilty of genocide and crimes against humanity. During the trial, almost 100 witnesses testified over counts of rape, infanticide, and other crimes. Rios Montt's defense team has deliberately delayed the case to prevent their client from being convicted. Rios Montt's military regime carried out a scorched earth campaign, largely against the indigenous population. Human rights defenders have voiced concern over the repeated postponement of the trial.

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