

# *Bolivian Interior Minister Carlos Romero Slams 'Dirty War' against President Evo Morales*

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La Paz, February 1 (RHC)- Bolivia's Interior Minister, Carlos Romero, has said the country's right-wing opposition plans to intensify its "dirty war" before the February 21st. referendum that will determine whether President Evo Morales can seek a third consecutive presidential term in 2019.

"For sure they will multiply the dirty war in these two weeks, especially because all the polls are clear and trends are favorable to us," Romero said in a phone interview with local media on Monday.

According to Romero, the war is marked by a misinformation campaign intended to prevent the re-election of President Evo Morales.

"The opposition politicians do not have electoral proposals or alternatives, that's why they just use insults and do not respect Bolivians," the interior minister said.

The referendum, approved by the senate in early November, will ask Bolivians whether a two-term limit for presidents and vice presidents should be amended. The outcome will decide if the country's first indigenous president will be allowed to run for office again.

President Morales, who is also the leader of the Movement Towards Socialism party, known as MAS, has been in power since 2006. He won 60 percent of the vote in 2015. His campaign to convince Bolivians to vote “Yes” has been launched and promoted across the Andean nation.

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