

Ex-Salvadoran colonel on trial for 1989 murder of Jesuit priests



Madrid, June 11 (RHC)-- In Spain, a former Salvadoran Army colonel appeared in a Madrid court to face trial 30 years after he allegedly orchestrated the 1989 murders of six Jesuit priests, as well as a mother and her teenage daughter, in El Salvador. Five of the victims were Spanish nationals.

Inocente Orlando Montano served as El Salvador's security minister and is accused of ordering the attack that was carried out by a U.S-trained counterinsurgency force. Montano lived in the United States for 16 years and was extradited to Madrid in 2017. Montano could face up to 150 years in prison if convicted.

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