## Julian Assange Says WikiLeaks Has "A Very Big Year Ahead"



London, June 25 (RHC)-- WikiLeaks founder Julian Assange says the whistleblower website has a "very big year" ahead, with more revelations expected to rattle U.S. presidential hopeful Hillary Clinton. Assange addressed people via videostream at an event held in New York City to mark the fourth anniversary of his detention in the Ecuadorian embassy in Britain.

"It's going to be a very big year for WikiLeaks," Assange said, calling on the audience to "get ready to gather around" in order "to protect our ability to be publishing." The WikiLeaks editor-in-chief said that many of the upcoming revelations would concern presumptive U.S. Republican presidential nominee Hillary Clinton. And he warned that if Clinton manages to get into the White House, she will bring an "endless war."

"We are in fact already, under [U.S. President Barack] Obama, in endless war, but I think it will significantly ramp up under Hillary Clinton," Assange warned, adding that he has come to know Hillary quite well and that "she is an extremely ambitious liberal interventionist hawk."

Hillary Clinton is known to have strong connections with corporations, Wall Street and the U.S. military–industrial complex. Some analysts say if Clinton gets elected president, she will launch several wars in order to boost U.S. military spending.

Julian Assange also stressed that he has been effectively detained by the United Kingdom, even though he has never been charged with a crime. Assange has been holed up in the Ecuadorian diplomatic mission in London since June 2012. He secured political asylum from Quito after he lost a legal battle against extradition to Sweden.

Swedish prosecutors issued a European arrest warrant for him after allegations of sexual assault related to a 2010 visit he made to Stockholm to give a lecture.

Assange, however, denies the accusations, describing them as a ploy to send him to the United States, where he is wanted over the release of thousands of US classified documents about the wars in Iraq and Afghanistan on his whistleblower website.

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