

Rights Action

Day 27 of Honduran Coup Resistance  
July 24, 2009, Alert #33

### **HONDURAS VIDEO REPORT: "FEAR THE PEOPLE"**

4:10pm, Friday: watch live coverage, en espanol, on Telesur of President Zelaya trying to walk into Honduras from Nicaragua: [http://www.telesurtv.net/solotexto/senal\\_vivo.php](http://www.telesurtv.net/solotexto/senal_vivo.php)

### **HONDURAN COUP LEADERS REAL FEAR IS THE SPECTER OF PARTICIPATORY DEMOCRACY**

[http://therealnews.com/t/index.php?option=com\\_content&task=view&id=31&Itemid=74&jumival=4037](http://therealnews.com/t/index.php?option=com_content&task=view&id=31&Itemid=74&jumival=4037)

### **ZELAYA JUST ONE OF MILLIONS: HONDURAN COUP PLOTTERS' FEAR ISN'T LOSING POWER TO ZELAYA OR CHAVEZ, IT'S LOSING POWER TO HONDURANS**

From [www.therealnews.com](http://www.therealnews.com), they didn't overthrow Zelaya when he raised the minimum wage, the 'de facto' president Roberto Micheletti even voted with Zelaya in approving the Chavez-sponsored ALBA initiative, but the day he went to ask the people to get involved, the military kidnapped and expelled him.

Canadian gold miners, US military bases, and the Honduran oligarchy all have something to fear at this time, but it isn't necessarily the return of Manuel Zelaya.

A look at the time-line of the coup shows a pretty conclusive picture of the specter of participatory democracy as the catalyst to the Honduran coup.

### **TO WATCH FULL REPORT (12 minutes) GO TO:**

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### **BIO OF THOSE INTERVIEWED:**

- Jari Dixon Herrera is a district attorney with the Honduran Attorney Generals office, and the Vice President of the Association of Honduran Government Attorneys (Asociación de Fiscales de

- Honduras). In 2008, he gained national fame for coordinating a hunger strike by lawyers who work for the Attorney General's office, to protest widespread corruption inside the legal system.
- Marvin Ponce is a member of Honduras' National Congress, representing the Democratic Union party (UD). He has been a vocal leader of the anti-coup resistance and was selected to speak on behalf of a coalition of organizations in Washington.
  - Grahame Russell is the Co-Director of Rights Action. A non-governmental organization based in USA, Canada and Guatemala, Rights Action seeks to promote community development along with environmental and human rights through the direct funding of community organizations in Honduras, Guatemala, El Salvador and Southern Mexico. It also plays a key role maintaining interested parties informed about the situation on the ground in the communities it partners with. Russell has been logging steady updates about the situation in Honduras on the Rights Action homepage at [www.rightsaction.org](http://www.rightsaction.org).

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UNITED STATES: Box 50887, Washington DC, 20091-0887

CANADA: 552-351 Queen St. E, Toronto ON, M5A-1T8

CREDIT-CARD DONATIONS: <http://rightsaction.org/contributions.htm>

**AMERICANS AND CANADIANS SHOULD CONTACT YOUR OWN MEDIA, MEMBERS OF CONGRESS, SENATORS & MEMBERS OF PARLIAMENT, TO DEMAND:**

- unequivocal denunciation of the military coup
- no recognition of this military coup and the 'de facto' government of Roberto Micheletti
- unconditional return of the entire constitutional government
- concrete economic, military and diplomatic sanctions against the coup plotters and perpetrators
- respect for safety and human rights of all Hondurans
- application of international and national justice against the coup plotters, and
- reparations for the illegal actions and rights violations committed during this illegal coup

**FOR MORE INFO:**

- See Honduras Coup Alerts at: [www.rightsaction.org](http://www.rightsaction.org)
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