

Honduran president, a drug-trafficking ally of Trump & Obama, Trudeau & Harper, tries to win over Biden (Washington Post article)

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Congresswoman Olivia Zuniga Caceres (daughter of assassinated land, indigenous rights defender Berta Caceres) holding poster: "Drug-traffickers should be in jail, not in the Presidential palace."

Washington Post in-depth article

"Honduran president, a Trump [Obama, Trudeau, Harper] ally, implicated in drug trafficking, tries to win over Biden"

By [Kevin Sieff](#), Feb. 12, 2021, https://www.washingtonpost.com/world/the_americas/honduras-president-narcotrafficking-herandez/2021/02/11/1fa96044-5f8c-11eb-ac8f-4ae05557196e_story.html

Rights Action took the liberty of correcting the title. The WP editors forgot that Juan Orlando Hernandez, the drug-trafficking, military-backed president of Honduras, was a staunch "democratic ally" of President Obama, Prime Minister Harper, and remains a "democratic ally" of Prime Minister Trudeau.

When a media outlet like the WP reports this extensively about the drug-trafficking, military backed leader of Honduras, imagine how much the US government and media really know about this regime – propped up and kept in power by the US, Canada and other "international community" actors since the June 28, 2009 military coup ousted Honduras' last democratic government.

- See also: **“US government promises pathway to citizenship for 11 million people, ... but will the US & Canada continue to treat Honduras and Guatemala like “shithole countries”, creating ever more forced migrants and refugees?”** (By Grahame Russell, Rights Action, February 9, 2021, <https://mailchi.mp/rightsaction/us-government-promises-pathway-to-citizenship-for-11-million-people>)

“Somoza is our son of a bitch”

In 1939, President Franklin D. Roosevelt is reported to have said that "Somoza may be a son of a bitch, but he's our son of a bitch", referring to the ruthless military-backed dictator of Nicaragua that the US government was propping up.



‘Juan Orlando Hernandez is our narco-trafficking son of a bitch’

One can imagine US and Canadian leaders saying: ‘Juan Orlando Hernandez is a narco-trafficking son of a bitch, but he is our narco-trafficking son of a bitch’, referring to the military-backed dictator of Honduras, illegally in power since (pretty much) the 2009 US and Canadian-backed coup.

Background

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