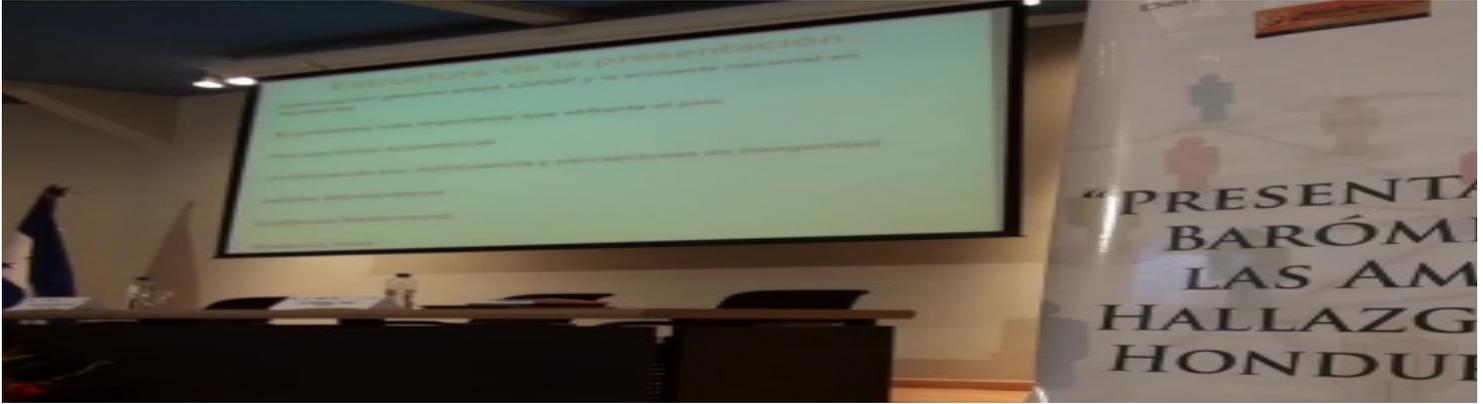


Honduras Lives Under a Stable Authoritarian System, Report Says

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The Latin American Public Opinion Project reports that Honduras has an authoritarian political system. | Photo: teleSUR

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The study analyzed different countries and gathered the opinions of important academics in each country.

The Latin America Public Opinion Project (LAPOP) of the U.S. University of Vanderbilt, Nashville, Tennessee, presented in Honduras their 10 year study that assures that the strict control by the president and that the political opposition has only restricted space that cannot challenge the present system.

The report explains the increase in militarization and points out the need to change this for the creation of communitarian police that has the sympathy of the population.

For some analysts insecurity is the main reason why people allow an authoritarian government to rule.

Political analyst David Vivar explains that a “stable authoritarian system means that the people agree to accept authoritarian measures” if this helps their need for security.

For historian Sergio Palacios, a struggle for power has always existed in Honduras and democracy has always been a secondary alternative. “It appears that violence and the

According to the analysts, people have confidence in local governments but do not have trust in the national political system, which bans criticism and promises security.