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Argentina: It's Reality That Kills

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The far-right president of Argentina, Javier Milei, faces reality after his electoral offers begin to demonstrate more propaganda than real weight, pushing half of the population into poverty, using food and the food crisis as an adjustment variable.

The "Milei plan" to reset the capitalist model in Argentina includes lowering the cost of labor and abolishing the scarce state regulations in the economy in favor of financial capital and the agro-mining exporting complex; reduce the cost of supporting the state with adjustments in social spending and give an authoritarian turn to the political system, in order to corral the protest and limit it, since it is difficult to eliminate it.



Javier Milei landed in Tel Aviv and will meet with the President of Israel

As if nothing was happening in the country, the President and his entourage flew to Tel Aviv. In Israel they will hold meetings with officials, businessmen and religious, while in Rome and [the Vatican they will meet with Francis and Prime Minister Giorgia Meloni](#). Milei, who has already expressed his alignment with the State of Israel, visits the Holy Land in the midst of the genocide in the Gaza Strip.

Reality shows that the muscles of the streets are being toned, with the aggravating factor for the ruling party that Peronism – in retreat due to its own crisis – does not control or regiment it. But, above all, because the line of sustained repression of the Minister of Security Patricia Bullrich, radicalizes and adds wills, does not intimidate, and shrinks the space for the voluntary givers of street governance.

And on the other hand, in almost two months of government (that is to say) the libertarians – secluded in their digital dens – have not shown any capacity for mobilization and prefer personal or pathetic attacks. It seems that the global trend of the new ultra-right, although dynamic in politics, is deficient in street support.

The relationship between the president and the military sector is also decomposing at the pace of the retirement of generals and cutback measures such as the elimination of the salary hierarchy that they had managed to agree with the previous government. Likewise, Milei's privatization offensive has created unrest in the sector, which he feverishly defended through Vice President Victoria Villarruel.



Victoria Villarruel vindicates the genocidal military

The Catholic Church repeats that food cannot be an adjustment variable, while the government continues with gross increases not only in food and basic necessities, but also (up to 250%) in public transport. Obvious: retail sales fell 28.5% year-on-year in January. The Bishops' Conference warned about the seriousness of the social situation: "daily bread is a cry for justice", it is necessary to anticipate so that the food crisis does not deepen. In an indirect response to the Minister of Human Capital, the bishops ask that assistance and contributions to community and collective spaces continue while the audits are carried out.



The Hunger Line: 27 Blocks of People at the Ministry of Human Capital

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After having said the previous week that she would listen "one by one to the people who are hungry," the Minister of Human Capital, Sandra Pettovello, announced that she would not receive the people who came from various neighborhoods of the city and the province of Buenos Aires to her ministry to ask for food. They are the ones who receive help from the soup kitchens and community kitchens to which the ministry of Pettovello decided to suspend the delivery of food.

Beyond ordinary citizens, pharmacy entrepreneurs are also more than worried, since "January's figures look like those of a month where no one got sick": the sale of medicines fell 46% compared to last year.

The government acknowledged that the 118 percent exchange rate jump applied by Economy Minister Luis Caputo on December 12 (the second day of Javier Milei's inauguration) generated almost 2.5 million poor people in Argentina.



In a letter sent to the head of the International Monetary Fund, Kristalina Georgieva, Caputo and the president of the Central Bank, Santiago Bausili, warned that poverty already reaches 50 percent of the population and 60 percent of young people, an increase of 5.3 percentage points compared to the situation before the millennium.

Retail sales of small and medium-sized businesses saw a significant decline of 28.5% in January, compared to the same period a year earlier. The first 45 days of Milei also marked a 20 percent collapse in Argentine tourism, in the middle of the summer season.

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"We celebrate the police, we congratulate them. Every well-placed shot to every lefty has been a moment of rejoicing for all of us. Every image of every lefty whimpering about the pepper spray in their face has been a very pleasant moment for us to watch," Agustín Laje, the far-right political scientist and leader of young libertarians who attacks sexual minorities and feminisms, told X.

Federal Judge Sebastián Casanello declared himself competent in the case in which the "unconstitutionality" of the anti-picketing protocol of the Ministry of Security is requested and urged its head, Patricia Bullrich, to present "in the next 72 hours" a report detailing the "legal bases" of its application and "if the Secretariat of Human Rights were consulted". civil society organizations or international organizations.



Argentina, repression: Omnibus Law, a violent attack on workers.

There is a very old phrase that has been passed down from generation to generation: "What kills is humidity". On humid and hot days, sweat remains on the skin and the body cannot cool down, which is why there is that feeling of oppressive heat that gives meaning to the phrase.

In these days of oppressive heat, Milei may discover that it's not humidity that can kill his government... but reality.

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