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Peru

Steadfast in defence of the people's vote: the struggle continues

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Despite a very large popular vote against her, Fujimori's far-right party was declared the winner of the election. The mobilisation must be stepped up and turned into social struggles.

1. The people's and citizen's vote has spoken

On June 7, the majority of Peruvians residing in the country opted for the Juntos Por el Perú (Together for Peru or JP) [1] option, a vote that expresses rejection of the current situation in the country and demands an end to the crisis generated by more than 30 years of neoliberal policies, the result of which is the growth of inequality, rampant citizen insecurity, widespread corruption, and abuse of power against the weakest. The next government will face this undeniable reality. The election results will not bring an end to the long cycle of crisis the country is experiencing. The demand for continuity or change is more pressing than ever. National unity cannot be achieved unless we begin to resolve the structural crisis that divides us by driving a profound process of change. Our party will continue to advocate for this path.

2. The people faced an electoral process of rigged rules that favour the continuity of mafia power.

In Peru, we have not experienced a fair and democratic electoral process, yet the vote for change is fighting back, and the outcome is still to be decided. A strategy was devised and directed from within the Congress of the Republic in order to favour the main parties of the corrupt political alliance. Since the congressional coup against Pedro Castillo [2], we have seen how the playing field has been tilted to favour, Fujimorism [3] in particular: Bicameralism and the reelection of congressmen were imposed, throwing the 2019 referendum in the trash; the primaries were eliminated, favouring party fragmentation and the dispersion of the citizen vote; pro-crime laws and exemptions for economic groups were approved, who then paid by financing campaigns; competitors were eliminated using judicial persecution; in the middle of the elections, the head of the Oficina Nacional de Procesos Electorales (National Office of Electoral Processes or ONPE) was changed; in the middle of the electoral process and in an unprecedented way, the procedure for the digitisation of votes abroad was changed. All of this has been accompanied by multimillion-dollar disinformation campaigns and manipulation by corrupt media outlets favouring the Kaos [4] candidate, as the Misión de Observación Electoral (Electoral Observation Mission or MOE) has pointed out. Despite this, thousands of Peruvians have not been defeated and remain steadfast in the fight.

3. Candidate señora Kaos should not declare victory prematurely.

The corporate media is trying to impose results and conceal the irregularities denounced by Juntos Por El Perú. The final result will be known when the last vote is counted, the last challenged or contested ballot is resolved, and the Jurado Nacional de Elecciones (National Elections Board or JNE) proclaims the winner. With 1,661 ballots still pending, nothing is certain. We remain steadfast in defending the will of the people and their votes. Our party will continue mobilising, demanding clarification of various indications and irregularities detected, and above all, demanding that the Jurados Electorales Especiales (Special Electoral Boards or JEE) and the National Elections Board act with transparency and fairness.

4.- Let us continue to build the broadest political and social unity for change

The upcoming battles demand that we continue building the broadest political and social unity to give continuity to the sense of change expressed by the vote of vast sectors of the citizenry. This unity must be expressed in different spaces, in the Bicameral Congress, promoting an agenda that dismantles mafia power and recovers democracy for the majority, citizen mobilisation, exercising surveillance, respect for their rights, solutions to their demands and recognition of their proposals; and also the political unity of all the forces that support a just, sovereign, democratic and sustainable homeland. New Peru for Good Living expresses its commitment to continue working on this unitary effort.

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[1] Juntos Por el Perú is a coalition of the Peruvian Humanist Party, the Peruvian Communist Party and left-wing socialist, feminist, environmentalist Nuevo Perú por el Buen Vivir (New Peru for Good Living.)

[2] Pedro Castillo was President of Peru from 28 July 2021 to 7 December 2022 when he was removed from office. He headed the left-wing Free Peru party

[3] Fujimorism is a reference to the right-wing ideology associated with former President Alberto Fujimori, in office 28 July 1990 – 22 November 2000, and his family, especially his daughter Keiko Fujimori, who leads the right-wing Fuerza Popular (Popular Force party).

[4] "Keiko es el Kaos" (Keiko is Chaos) is a popular [social] media phrase used by opponents of Keiko Fujimori.