

SRES 518

A resolution expressing solidarity with the people of Guatemala and urging the Government of Guatemala to permit a peaceful transfer of power to President-elect Bernardo Arevalo.

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Related Bills

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Summary (as of Jan 10, 2024)

This resolution applauds the people of Guatemala for participating in a free and fair presidential election on August 20, 2023. The resolution also (1) expresses concern with the actions of Guatemala's Attorney General and Public Ministry in attacking President-elect Bernardo Arevalo's coalition, and (2) urges Guatemala to prioritize and work actively for a peaceful transfer of power. Additionally, it calls on certain U.S. federal departments and agencies to prepare for the possibility that a peaceful transfer of power does not occur.

## Actions Timeline

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