

Guatemala: UK statement on the re-election of the Guatemala Attorney General

Government response

The United Kingdom has issued a statement following the appointment of the Attorney General.



Minister for Latin America Vicky Ford said:

The United Kingdom expresses its concern at the re-election of María Consuelo Porras to the post of Attorney General in Guatemala.

We note that Sra Porras is sanctioned on the US Engels List of undemocratic and corrupt officials, and that there are other serious reasons to doubt her suitability for this important role.

The United Kingdom will continue to work closely with international partners to encourage the Government of Guatemala to strengthen the rule of law and support and respect judicial independence.

Respect for the rule of law and judicial independence are essential conditions for Guatemala to boost prosperity, attract foreign investment, protect human rights, maintain a healthy democracy and win the fight against corruption.

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