**Exiled Morales pulling Bolivian political strings**

*as polls loom*

L A PAZ — From exile in Buenos Aires, former leftist president Evo Morales continues to influence Bolivian politics and is plotting his party’s return to power in September elections, analysts say.

Though banned from running in the poll and facing arrest if he returns, the 68-year-old Bolivia’s first indigenous president — is masterminding an opposition to right-wing opposition leader Jeanine Añez.

At this time when Añez is in exile, outside of power, he has become a kind of political and social scientist Carlos Cordero told AFP.

Morales last year handpicked as his vice president Luis Arce, who is the man who can win back the presidency for his Movement for Socialism (MAS) party.

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**Focus point... A woman sells face masks at an open market in La Paz. Photo: **Namp/AAP

“We will come back stronger and we will restore freedom and dignity to the Bolivian people,” said a message on his Twitter account.

Morales on Wednesday condemned what he said was an attempt by Añez to outlaw his party and remove Arce from the electoral race. The de facto government initiated a judicial strategy with political aims to disqualify the candidate and MAS and prevent us from participating in the elections, he tweeted.

Añez has accused Morales of conspiring to damage her electoral chances by sending overpriced Spanish ventilators for Covid-19 patients into the country as part of a relief operation during the pandemic. Zegada said Morales had benefited from the errors and scandals that have tainted its adversaries in power.

Morales fled the country after three weeks of protests over his controversial re-election in October 2019 in a poll in which he was constitutionally barred from participating. He had tried to cling to power but lost the backing of the country’s military after an Organization of American States audit found clear evidence of election fraud.

He initially fled to Mexico, which sent a government plane to pick him up, before settling later in Argentina, home to a large Bolivian population.

Most of Morales’ cabinet fled with him, leaving behind a power vacuum in the bitterly divided country. Añez — a left-leaning former centrist senator — assumed the presidency the following month. Namp/AAP
Zaha: Police arrest boy, 12, over racist messages

A 12-year-old boy has been arrested by police investigating racist messages sent to Crystal Palace forward Wilfried Zaha on social media.

Zaha revealed he had received several abusive messages on social media since Sunday's trip to Aston Villa, a game they lost 3-0.

His manager Roy Hodgson called the abuse "cowardly and despicable".

The Premier League called the abuse "completely unacceptable".

Speaking to Sky Sports before the arrest, Hodgson added: "It’s been highlighted at the moment anyway with the Black Lives Matter movement and everyone seems to be making such an effort to eradicate this behaviour. It’s very sad that, on the day of a game, a player wakes up to this cowardly and despicable abuse. It’s right Will has made people aware of it and I don’t think this is something you should keep quiet about.

"We are aware of one of our best players from playing well today, but to do it in the way he has been totally inappropriate.

"The Premier League said: "This behaviour is completely unacceptable and the Premier League stands alongside Wilfried Zaha in opposing this, and discrimination in any form.

"We will continue to support players, managers, coaches and their family members who receive serious discriminatory online abuse.

"Players in England’s top flight have been kneeling in support of the Black Lives Matter movement before every match since the season restarted in June.

Reports in order to support the application for ECC. All Interested and Affected Parties (I&AP) are hereby invited to register and receive the Project Background Information Document (BID) for their comments and input.

Interested and Affected Parties are hereby requested to register by writing to us at the address below no later than 30 July 2020:

Please register and direct all comments, queries to:
Mr. Isaskar Uahoo, Environmental Assessment Practitioner
Email: mwiya@rbs.com.na

PUBLIC NOTICE
BROADMINE MINING (Pty) Ltd APPLICATION FOR ENVIRONMENTAL CLEARANCE CERTIFICATE (ECC) FOR EPL No. 10 (Ompendal District, OT) OMTONGA DISTRICT, OT OMTONGA UPA REGION

BROADMINE MINING (Pty) Ltd (the Proponent) holds mineral rights under the Exclusive Prospecting Licence (EPL) No. 10 on the Okatjimukuju farm situated in the Okatjimukuju Development Area, Omtonga District, Omtonga UPA Region. The Proponent has submitted the Project Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) to the Ministry of Environment, Tourism and Climate Change (METCC) and the Ministry of Minerals, Energy and Water (MME) for Environmental Clearance for the proposed works and activities.

The Proponent is part of the Group of companies owned by the same shareholders and has made significant investments in the dimension stone mining and processing / value addition industries in Namibia and owns two (2) stone processing factories in Karibib and Walvis Bay. The Proponent intends to undertake mining and processing activities in the Okatjimukuju exclusive prospecting licence (EPL) No. 10 situated in the Omtonga UPA Region for the mining and processing of dimension stone. The Proponent has applied for dimension stones mineral rights under the ML No. 195 totalling 1594.2268ha. The ML 195 area covers Okatjimukuju farm (farm No. 76), Malambo farm (farm No. 26), and the proposed mining site is situated on the farm Odien. The Odien farm is located within the Karibib Town and townlands, Farm Okatjimukuju No. 55 and Farm Odien No. 75.

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Cristiano Ronaldo, one of the greatest footballers of all time, has diversified his business interests. He owns a fashion line called CR7 and has also invested in a fish shop and restaurant called Sixtus.

Clarence Seedorf, a former footballer, turned to the restaurant business. He owns the Japanese restaurant called 'Fingers' in Tokyo.

Andres Iniesta, a Spanish footballer, invested in a wine business. His brand, Bodega wines, produces high-quality wines.

Phillip Lahm, a retired German footballer, has invested in a food company called Schneekoppe.

Gerard Pique, a Spanish footballer, invested in a game company called Kerad Games and has shares in Rse Alimentaria meat industry.

The wine route: Two of the greatest playmakers of the modern era Andrea Pirlo and Iniesta were two of the most composed footballers in the history of the game and both ventured into the wine industry.

Iniesta's former Barcelona and Spain teammate Gerard Pique may not be retiring any time soon but he has also invested heavily into his future when he wasn't winning big with the LaLiga champions, professional poker or marrying Shaikah...

But on a more serious note, the veteran defender launched Kosmo Global Holding which invests in tennis, media and owns Spanish third-tier side Andorra.

2014 FIFA World Cup-winning captain Philipp Lahm is known for his early and it's easy to see why at the age of 33 and still in the peak of his career. While he rejected the chance to return to Bayern Munich as the sporting director, Lahm has acquired shares in sports care and hygiene product manufacturer Sixtus and the sports lottery and Germany.

And last but not least we have Ibrahimovic who developed a reputation as one of the most confident or conceited, depending on who you ask - football of all-time. With a mobile game called Zlatan Unplugged and a clothing line; A-Z Global Holding which invests in tennis, football and underwear - while Beckham is also a owner with Inter Miami.

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Manchester City's Champions League last-16, second leg against LASK will be played at Etihad Stadium.

The home teams' stadiums behind closed doors.

City host Real on either 7 or 8 August, while Chelsea face Bayern Munich away.

In the Europa League, Wolves will host Olympiacos and Manchester United will welcome LASK on 5 or 6 August.

Both competitions were suspended in March because of the coronavirus pandemic, after the majority of first legs had been played.

City lead Real 2-1 after the first leg, Chelsea are 3-0 down to Bayern, Manchester United are 0-0 up on LASK and Wolves are level at 1-1 having scored an away goal in Greece. Rangers will travel to Germany 3-1 down on Bayer Leverkusen.

Inter Milan against Getafe and Sevilla against Roma will both be played as single-leg ties in Munich after the coronavirus situation in Italy and Spain in March resulted in both first legs being called off.

Uefa also confirmed that the ‘final eight’ tournaments for both competitions will be held without spectators.

The Champions League quarter-finals, semi-finals and final will all be held in Lisbon from 17 to 23 August.

The draw for both tournaments takes place on 11th BST on Friday 10th July.

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Manchester City Manager Pep Guardiola said his team deserved an apology, after their two-year UEFA ban from European football was overturned by the Court of Arbitration for Sport (CAS) – a verdict he called a “good day for football.”

Guardiola said the club’s reputation had been damaged by the furore around allegations that they broke Financial Fair Play (FFP) rules and failed to meet payments to agents from managers Jose Mourinho and Jürgen Klopp. “Jose and all the managers should know that we were damaged. We should apologise (to). Because, like I said many times, if we do something wrong, we will accept absolutely the decisions because UEFA and CAS did something wrong,” he said in a news conference on Tuesday.

“We have the right to defend ourselves when we believe what we have done is correct, is right. Three independent judges said this,” he added.

Liverpool manager Klopp had described the CAS verdict on Monday as “not a good day for football” but refused to be drawn. “Yesterday was a good day for football because we play with the same rules of FFP as all the clubs in Europe. All of them. (If) we break this FFP, we will be banished,” he said. “We were damaged. The people say that we cheated and lying many, many times. The presumption of innocence was not there and after, when it happened and it was right, of course, we are incredibly happy because we can defend what we have done on the pitch.”

Guardiola also took aim at Spanish league president Javier Tebas, a long-standing critic of City, who had questioned whether CAS was the right court for deciding such matters. “He is another one, this guy Sepp Blatter must be so jealous for the Premier League, the English football, “ he said. “He is an incredible legal expert from what I see, so next time we will ask in which court, which judges we have. He has to be a little bit more worried or concerned about La Liga, (he should) focus there.

“Normally these kinds of people, when the sentence is good for him it’s perfect like happened many times in Spain right now, but when the sentence is against, the is for the other ones,” added Guardiola.

“We will be in the Champions League next season, Sepp Blatter, because what we did, we did it properly.”

—SABC

City deserve an apology says defiant Guardiola
Zinedine Zidane has warned his players not to believe LaLiga is already won as Real Madrid chase the last victory they need against Villarreal on Thursday.

With a five-point lead over second-placed Barcelona and only two games left to play, Madrid will be unbeatable if they win at the Alfredo di Stéfano Stadium, regardless of Barca’s result at home to Osasuna.

It means a third league title in eight years is now firmly within their grasp, following a relentless run of form that has seen Madrid win nine games out of nine since the restart from coronavirus lockdown.

Madrid could even afford to lose at Villarreal if they beat Leganes on Sunday but Zidane is wary of complacency.

“There is a lot of noise about celebrations and holidays and that worrying. We know we have a game, period,” said Zidane in a press conference on Wednesday.

“We have to focus all our energy on tomorrow, nothing else. There is a lot of talk but all the players, everyone who works at the club, is only thinking about tomorrow. Nobody knows what will happen until it happens.”

While Barca’s ageing squad has struggled with the frequency of matches over the suspension, Madrid appear to have revelled in the intensity of a compressed calendar.

“It was something quite particular that when we started to work again after lockdown and after three months at home, the players had this desire to train and to play and that is what has happened,” said Zidane in a press conference on Wednesday.

“I saw the players and they wanted something more, they were staying after training to do extra. That says everything you need to know about this team.”

Los Sraes said in an interview with Diario Sport this week that LaLiga is now “almost impossible” for Barcelona, who play Osasuna, hoping to take the title race to the final day.

“That’s his opinion,” said Barca coach Quique Setien. “The truth is LaLiga is not yet lost because anything can happen but we know it is difficult.

“So not because of our failings, we have had three draws, but Madrid’s success. They have done things better but we will continue fighting until the end.”

Barcelona president Josep Maria Bartomeu said on Sunday that Setien will remain in charge for the Champions League but doubts remain about next season.

When Bartomeu sarcasted Ernesto Valverde in January, Barca were top of the table, albeit on goal difference, but Setien insists he is not entirely to blame.

“I take responsibility but not at all,” said Setien. “When people look for a scapegoat they always look at the coach but I don’t feel I did things so badly.

“I would more give credit to Madrid, who have won all their games.”

Zidane, who was not present for the interview, was not involved as a player when Madrid clinched their last title in 2012.

“This question again. You try to put things between us but you won’t be able to,” said Zidane. “We reunited. Gareth, James (Rodriguez), everyone...
Walvis prison hit by staff shortage

By Maria Kandjungu

The Walvis Bay correctional facility is experiencing a shortage of staff after 61 of its workers were placed in quarantine after two recently tested positive of Covid-19, were placed in quarantine.

Last week two correctional facility officials tested positive of Covid-19 marking the first cases of Covid-19 within the correction facilities and also the first community transmission case in the country. Consequently, the health ministry is doing mass testing at the facility which has since seen a total of 83 isolated. Of those, 61 are officials and 22 are offenders.

Head of the Namibian Correctional Services Central Staff Directorate, Commissioner Sam Shaalulange told Confidente that as the contact tracing and mass testing continues at the facility, they are bracing themselves for more officials being placed in quarantine.

“We have a staff strength of about 130 personnel at the facility. Now, with two officials being placed in quarantine we are aware that there may be many more and that is our main concern. We have a situation where we are left with less than five personnel at the facility and that can pose as a security risk,” he stated.

Shaalulange added that they are trying to explore all possible measures to ensure that the facility while trying to deal with the pandemic.

According to him, measures that are looking at include encouraging staff not to take leave while calling back those who already were on leave.

“Testing is still ongoing and everything is very much in the hands of the Ministry of Health. The offenders specifically pointed out that during routine random searches do them, most officers come out without gloves or masks, touching their food and doing body searches without first washing their hands or sanitising them.

“Our health is at risk. There are no sanitisers at the cells, they come from outside without mask or gloves and they touch our things. We want them to come up with an easier way of searching that does not involve them especially touching our food during the coronary, at least they should wear masks and gloves because we do not know where they have been. We are bringing viruses to us and we do not feel safe around them,” the offenders noted through a spokesperson.

They further complained that they are not given information about the virus and they only hear in the news and according to them the last time someone came to talk to them was in early March during the lockdown.

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Sam Shaalulange

Results are coming in everyday and so far, those that we received are negative.

“It is a bit of a difficult situation for everyone. We also trying to ensure that we have enough officers on day shifts when offenders are out and roaming around. There is higher security risk during the day because the facility is open than at night when they locked up,” he stated noting that equally they cannot afford to loosen security during the night as tight security during that time is crucial.

Anxieties among offenders

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... Windhoek inmates in panic mode

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