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COUNTERING TRANSNATIONAL ORGANIZED CRIME (CTOC)

CORRUPTION

Peru's Ex-President Surrendered To U.S. Officials For Extradition In Mega Corruption Scandal — Here's What To Know

Katherine Hamilton – Forbest: 21 April 2023

Alejandro Toledo surrendered for extradition in a case claiming he accepted bribes from Odebrecht, a Brazilian construction conglomerate.

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Christopher Newton – InSight Crime: 26 April 2023

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