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COUNTERING TRANSNATIONAL ORGANIZED CRIME (CTOC)

CORRUPTION

Guatemala court blocks anti-corruption agreement

Sonia Pérez D. – The Associated Press: 25 June 2022

A Guatemalan court has tossed out a deal that made it easier to prosecute bribery involving the Brazilian construction giant Odebrecht.

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We need an International Anti-Corruption Court

Danilo Türk – Politico: 24 June 2022

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Drug use high in West and Central Africa, trafficking funds conflict: U.N.

Reuters: 27 June 2022

Opioid and cannabis abuse are above global averages in the region, while cocaine trafficking is financing militant violence in the Sahel, the United Nations said in a recent report.

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Ukraine War Could Boost Illegal Drug Production, says UN

Agence France-Presse: 26 June 2022

The war in Ukraine could allow illegal drug production to flourish, while the opium market's future hinges on the fate of crisis-racked Afghanistan, the United Nations warned.

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Indigenous Ecuadorans fight back as metal mining eats into Amazon

Kimberley Brown – Reuters: 24 June 2022

Job prospects are not enough for indigenous Ecuadorians who value the natural wonders of the Amazon over its stores of copper and gold. Communities are fighting back against mining on their lands and are the rainforest's best bet, experts say.

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Toward Digital Solidarity

Pablo Chavez – Lawfare: 28 June 2022

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Chetan Thathoo – Inc42 :42 June 2022

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Kenneth Lasoen – EUObserver: 24 June 2022

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Scott Mistler-Ferguson – InSight Crime: 27 June 2022

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Will Neal – Organized Crime & Corruption Reporting Project: 23 June 2022

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Relocating or expanding? Islamic State Mozambique's reaction to foreign intervention

Ryan O'Farrell – Long War Journal: 27 June 2022

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Romany Shaker – The National Interest: 24 June 2022

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Vladimir Putin's Ukrainian genocide is proceeding in plain view

Taras Kuzio – Atlantic Council: 29 June 2022

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Reid Standish – Radio Free Liberty/Radio Europe: 23 June 2022

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