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ARCHAEOLOGY, NATIONAL IDENTITY AND THE COUP IN HONDURAS: THE ROLE OF THE ANCIENT MAYA

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On June 28th, 2009, the elected President of Honduras, Manuel Zelaya Rosales, was ousted in a coup. The new regime has not been recognized by the international community. In Honduras, the new government has replaced virtually all ministers and high-level officials including Darío Euraque, the former Director of the Honduran Institute of Anthropology and History, the state agency charged with protecting and promoting Honduras's cultural heritage, including the famed archaeological site of Copán. In this talk, Professor Euraque addresses the eerie question: what role did the Ancient Maya play in the aftermath of the coup in Honduras?



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