

How Ecuador built its surveillance capacities during the Rafael Correa regime

Defense Minister Javier Ponce admitted spying in the National Assembly

• 2008

The government hires the company Speech Technology Center in Russia to implement a facial and voice recognition system. The case was reported by Ryan Gallagher in THE CITIZEN'S GUIDE TO THE FUTURE

• 2012

Various international media outlets filtered information about the project Remote System Galileo that the state implemented with the Italian company Hacking Team and Argentina Illuminati Lab

• 2014/2015

Correa's government dismisses continue the Libertador project, a joint program with the Attorney General's Office with support from the US Embassy, the program was shut down for fear that the embassy control in their favor the eavesdropping telephone system the project aimed to articulate.

• 2010

BuzzFeed published reports of the National Intelligence Secretariat projects to purchase eavesdropping systems, SIM card cloning and identification of all subscribers of mobile service with Smart Solutions LLC

• 2012/2013

Citizen Lab publishes its Peckrat Operation report. It states that hackers used commercially available packages of Remote Access Trojans (RATs or) that infect computers and smartphones, allowing hackers to capture keystrokes, emails and text messages. The software could even hijack microphones and webcams. It is revealed that Ecuadorian journalists and dissidents are among hackers' targets

• 2015