
Julian Assange's Trial Might Have Consequences

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The secret judicial process against Julian Assange, founder of the Wikileaks portal, could be disturbing for the US political spectrum, the national press estimated on Sunday.

According to the political news portal, the charges against Assange, disclosed by mistake, comes at a difficult time for President Donald Trump, due to the investigation of special prosecutor Robert Muller on the supposed interference of Russia in the 2016 elections.

Precisely, Wikileaks published shortly before those elections emails from the then-Democratic candidate for the White House, Hillary Clinton, which were fatal to her aspirations to achieve victory.

The website remembers that while liberal and civil rights activists defend Assange as a journalist with the right to First Amendment protections, conservatives celebrate his decision to divulge Clinton's emails.

The reappearance of Assange in the US political life, at a time when Mueller investigates how WikiLeaks obtained those pirated texts, initiates a debate on the fate of the Australian cyber-activist, it stresses.

Although Assange has legions of enemies in the United States, especially the pro-Clinton Democrats and members of the national security forces who consider him a hostile foreign agent, some influential actors may not be enthusiastic about his prosecution, the news portal said.

On Saturday The New York Times newspaper affirmed that the secret cause against Assange could set a chilling precedent for investigative journalism in this nation.

Many crucial details of the decision of US prosecutors are not yet clear, including when the criminal complaint was filed and under what specific charges, the newspaper highlights.

Meanwhile, the American Civil Liberties Union denounced that it would be unconstitutional and would open the doors to all kinds of proceedings against the press.

For the last six years, Assange has been at the Ecuadorian embassy in London, where he was admitted after an accusation in Sweden for sexual assault, although the case was later closed.
