

Latin America awash in troubles amid mA

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By the time he was forced to back down last weekend, at least seven people had died and 1,507 had been injured, including 435 police officers. As human rights groups accused the government oâ

While the opposition accused him of behaving like a dictator, he saw

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Haiti, in particular, has been enveloped in violent demonstrations for more than a year, but the latest flare-up began last month amid fuel and food shortages and attempts by the country's senate to confirm President Jovenel Moïse's fourth government.

Protesters have set businesses and police stations ablaze, and barricaded streets throughout

countries,” Marczak said. “But I think the Haitian people increasingly see they can have a voice, that they are empowered to take the situation into their own hands and push back against what they see as a lack of government response and the government siphoning off resources.”

But for Haitians waiting on the U.S. to step in and depose Moïse, as previous administrations did in 1986 and 2004, it may be a long wait. In voting with the Trump administration earlier this year against Maduro and longtime ally TI

The transactional nature of U.S. foreign policy in Latin American policy seems to be taking a toll. For almost a decade, Vanderbilt's LAPOP survey has been measuring the region's trust of China and the United States. In 2012, 14 out of the 20 nations surveyed said they trusted the United States more than China.

While trust in the U.S. has been declining, this year's survey found that only Panama, Nicaragua and Colombia still trusted the United States more than China.

Washington's draconian immigration policies and withdrawal from multilateral agreements, such as the Paris climate accord, the Trans-Pacific Partnership and the North American Free Trade Agreement seem to have soured the region.

"The Trump administration has been turning its back on multilateralism and international cooperation, which have always been the Latin American preference, as opposed to U.S. unilateralism," says Wilton

“There’s been a change in international and U.S. support for democracy, rule of law and human rights in the region — with the exception of Cuba, Venezuela and Nicaragua,” Arnson said.

“Times are fairly bleak.”