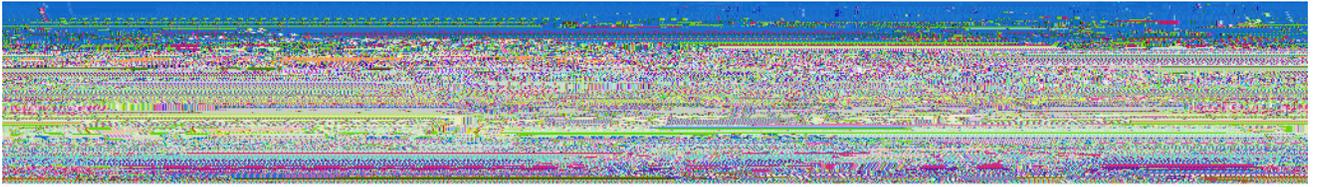




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At the beginning of 2019, Cardinal Leopoldo Brenes<sup>8</sup> announced the decision of the Catholic Church in Nicaragua to suspend the traditional procession of 1 January<sup>9</sup> in Managua in order to



Nicaraguan Institute for Telecommunications and Mail (TELCOR by its Spanish acronym) denying media censorship, the programmes *Esta Noche* and *Esta Semana* produced by the media outlet *Confidencial* - whose stances are known for being very critical of the Government - were broadcasted through Youtube and Facebook live, as "*a way for fighting against the attacks to freedom of press*"<sup>14</sup>.

