

## Argentina's ex-VP gets jail time for corruption

Argentina's former Vice-President Amado Boudou has been sentenced to five years and 10 months in jail for corruption. A **BBC News** report says the charges related to his attempt to buy a money-printing company through a front business. Boudou was accused of lifting a bankruptcy declaration against currency company Ciccone Calcográfica in return for an equity stake when he was Economy Minister in 2010, before becoming Vice-President. The court in Buenos Aires **found him guilty of committing passive bribery and conducting business 'incompatible with public office'**. He has been banned for life from holding public office, and is expected to appeal against the conviction. The company's former owner, Nicolas Ciccone, was also given a four-and-a-half-year sentence.