

## A new offensive against the field

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## **Body**

Despite all the duly well-founded arguments about the irrationality and injustice of withholdings, and the dialogue efforts by producer ste-disclosures, lately addressed by the authorities in the area, the Government has returned to increase that tribute on soybeans. It is now 33%, which will be added to another by both Earnings and different general-order earners: Gross Income, Real Estate and Check Taxes, Municipal Fees and so on.

There is no other taxed activity in the same way as that affecting agricultural activities. Nor is there a society to support the general fiscal pressure of the severity of ours. The eccentricity of field withholdings is such that it is barely applicable in three other countries in the world. Only for soybean withholdings, every three trucks leaving the camps one is for the government. By adding up all the levies, the State is left with a large share of the income, but without participating in the losses, which are becoming more frequent. This is not to mention the violent twists in the economic and financial direction of the country, which have led several important and almost century-old companies, such as Vicentín, to extreme situations.

Unjustifiable and inexhaustible state voracity. Always more and more levies to face what he can't and shouldn't. It is a voracity with explanatory support in the exorbitanness of public spending. In the magnitude of the plant of state employees, which has continued to grow in recent years in the state, provinces and municipalities. In the lack of relationship between the number of contributers to the retirement system and the growing number of those who are effectively in retirement. Add to that a black economy of a dire dimension and you will have the dreadful picture that underlies the government's decision to re-shear the fastest productive sector - more effort, more creativity, more innovation - of the Argentine economy. On what specific and specific demonstration does the President base the announced willingness to want the field as a strategic partner?

Professional agitators without recognized practice or profession that encourage the permanent ideological aggression against the countryside do not even know that the sale of land in Argentina is as paralyzed as that of other real estate. And when they are done, those who acquire them are generally people from other areas of the national work. It is rare for a producer to buy land, as his working capital is in a zone of risk because of the nature of the activity, because of the facts outside his criterion and prudence that trigger state regulations at any time. And also, because of the permanent swing of agricultural prices, today so affected in the international order as a result of various causes: from the unexhausted effects of the Chinese-American trade conflict to the derivations of the coronavirus.

It has been more than evident the caution with which the Liaison Bureau of agricultural entities has sought to act in the face of the new offensive against the field of emergency and compulsive "social solidarity", while the policy continues with it treatment with the public resources that has brought the country to the current crossroads. New increases in soybean shard have had weak rebate compensation on sunflower, peanuts, vegetables, pantying and Flint and the wheat flour tariff, which fell from 9% to 7%, but expanded areas of the country whose soils and

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distance ports do not allow producers to even achieve margins of indifference; that is, neither to win nor to lose. Please note, as an overall assessment of what happens, that soybeans account for more than 70% of turnoveragricultural farming in the country.

In despair there are more emotional decisions than good sense. Going to streets and routes without the experienced approval of proven trade union organizations, even in the most stormy adversity, in the defense of agricultural production, is not a phenomenon that should be celebrated. On the contrary, in the most difficult situations it is when the leaders with veteranism and mature institutions they represent must most be trusted, freeing them from unwelcome pressures.

Let us hope, therefore, that in this week with a cessation of marketing of agricultural products for four days established by the Liaison Board - the Agricultural Federation released its partners - the wisdom that has been so lacking in all areas will prevail in all areas in politics. Let us hope that, once this body has been left behind, the Government will reflect on the seriousness of the isolated measures taken and have the economic programme once and for all. Let us wish equally that the field renews the vocation for peace, justice and dialogue that has been an inveterate manifestation of its spirit.

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