Country: Paraguay

Years: 1945-1947

Head of Government: Higinio Morínigo Martínez

Ideology: rightist

Description: HoG does not identify ideology. CHISOLS identifies Morínigo’s party affiliation as none. Di Tella (2004: 59, 81) states Martínez obtained the support of some sectors of the Colorado party and that Morínigo mobilized his Colorado allies in the 1947 civil war. Santiago (2017: 163) states that Morínigo was “clearly influenced by European fascism”. Kline and Wiarda (2011: 331) state that Morínigo “ruled over an openly pro-Nazi regime as Paraguay became a nest of Nazi intrigue during World War II”. Rulers (2019) writes, “In February 1948 [Morínigo] supported the election of Juan Natalicio González as president, to succeed him in August.” CHISOLS, Perspective Monde, and World Statesmen identify González Paredes’ party as Asociación Nacional Republicana- Partido Colorado (ANR-PC). Political Handbook of the World (2015), Perspective Monde, and World Statesmen all identify ANR-PC as rightist.

Years: 1948

Head of Government: Juan Natalicio González Paredes

Ideology: rightist

Description: HoG does not identify ideology. CHISOLS identifies González Paredes’ party as Asociación Nacional Republicana – Partido Colorado (ANR-PC). DPI and Huber and Stephens (2016: 18) identify its ideology as rightist. Political Handbook of the World (2015) elaborates, writing, “Formed in 1887, the mainstream of the Colorado Party has long been conservative in outlook.” Perspective monde (2019) corroborates party affiliation as ANR-PC and identifies the party as center-right. World Statesmen (2019) corroborates party affiliation as ANR-PC and identifies the party as rightist, “conservative”. In V-Party (2020), 6 experts identify ANR-PC’s ideology as “Right” (1.798) in 1973.

Years: 1949-1953

Head of Government: Federico Chaves Careaga

Ideology: rightist

Description: HoG identifies ideology as rightist. CHISOLS identifies Chaves’ party as Asociación Nacional Republicana – Partido Colorado (ANR-PC). Political Handbook of the World (2015) identifies ANR-PC as rightist, writing, “Originating in the late 19th century, the mainstream of the Colorado Party has long been conservative in outlook.” Perspective monde (2019) corroborates party affiliation as ANR-PC and identifies the party as center-right. World Statesmen (2019) corroborates party affiliation as ANR-PC and identifies the party as rightist, “conservative”. Huber and Stephens (2016: 18) identify ANR-PC as rightist. In V-Party (2020), 6 experts identify ANR-PC’s ideology as “Right” (1.798) in 1973.

Years: 1954-1988

Head of Government: Alfredo Stroessner Matiauda

Ideology: rightist

Description: HoG identifies ideology as rightist. CHISOLS identifies Stroessner’s party as Asociación Nacional Republicana – Partido Colorado (ANR-PC). Manzano (2017) identifies Stroessner as rightist. Political Handbook of the World (2015) identifies the ANR-PC as rightist, writing, “Originating in the late 19th century, the mainstream of the Colorado Party has long been conservative in outlook and consistently supported General Stroessner for more than three decades after his assumption of the presidency in 1954.” Perspective monde (2019) corroborates party affiliation as ANR-PC and identifies the party as center-right. World Statesmen (2019) corroborates party affiliation as ANR-PC and identifies the party as rightist, “conservative”. Huber and Stephens (2016: 18) identify ANR-PC as rightist. In V-Party (2020), 6 experts identify ANR-PC’s ideology as “Right” (1.798) in 1973 and “Right” (2.007) in 1977, 1978, 1983, and 1988.

Years: 1989-1992

Head of Government: Andrés Rodríguez Pedotti

Ideology: rightist

Description: HoG identifies ideology as rightist. CHISOLS identifies Rodríguez Pedotti’s party as Asociación Nacional Republicana – Partido Colorado (ANR-PC). Political Handbook of the World (2015) identifies the ANR-PC as rightist, writing, “Originating in the late 19th century, the mainstream of the Colorado Party has long been conservative in outlook.” Perspective monde (2019) corroborates party affiliation as ANR-PC and identifies the party as center-right. World Statesmen (2019) corroborates party affiliation as ANR-PC and identifies the party as rightist, “conservative”. Huber and Stephens (2016: 18) identify ANR-PC as rightist. In V-Party (2020), 6 experts identify ANR-PC’s ideology as “Right” (1.879) in 1989 and “Center-right” (1.546) in 1991.

Years: 1993-1997

Head of Government: Juan Carlos María Wasmosy Monti

Ideology: rightist

Description: HoG identifies ideology as rightist. CHISOLS identifies Wasmosy Monti’s party as Asociación Nacional Republicana – Partido Colorado (ANR-PC). Political Handbook of the World (2015) identifies the ANR-PC as rightist, writing, “Originating in the late 19th century, the mainstream of the Colorado Party has long been conservative in outlook.” Perspective monde (2019) corroborates party affiliation as ANR-PC and identifies the party as center-right. World Statesmen (2019) corroborates party affiliation as ANR-PC and identifies the party as rightist, “conservative”. Huber and Stephens (2016: 18) identify ANR-PC as rightist. In V-Party (2020), 6 experts identify ANR-PC’s ideology as “Center-right” (1.653) in 1993.

Years: 1998

Head of Government: Raúl Alberto Cubas Grau

Ideology: rightist

Description: HoG does not identify ideology. CHISOLS identifies Cubas Grau’s party as Asociación Nacional Republicana – Partido Colorado (ANR-PC). DPI and Huber and Stephens (2016: 18) identify ANR-PC’s ideology as rightist. Political Handbook of the World (2015) elaborates, writing, “Formed in 1887, the mainstream of the Colorado Party has long been conservative in outlook.” Perspective monde (2019) corroborates party affiliation as ANR-PC and identifies the party as center-right. World Statesmen (2019) corroborates party affiliation as ANR-PC and identifies the party as rightist, “conservative”. In V-Party (2020), 6 experts identify ANR-PC’s ideology as “Center-right” (1.663) in 1998.

Years: 1999-2002

Head of Government: Luis Ángel González Macchi

Ideology: rightist

Description: HoG identifies ideology as rightist. CHISOLS identifies González Macchi’s party as Asociación Nacional Republicana – Partido Colorado (ANR-PC). Political Handbook of the World (2015) identifies the ANR-PC as rightist, writing, “Originating in the late 19th century, the mainstream of the Colorado Party has long been conservative in outlook.” Perspective monde (2019) corroborates party affiliation as ANR-PC and identifies the party as center-right. World Statesmen (2019) corroborates party affiliation as ANR-PC and identifies the party as rightist, “conservative”. Huber and Stephens (2016: 18) identify ANR-PC as rightist. In V-Party (2020), 6 experts identify ANR-PC’s ideology as “Center-right” (1.663) in 1998.

Years: 2003-2007

Head of Government: Óscar Nicanor Duarte Frutos

Ideology: rightist

Description: HoG identifies ideology as rightist. CHISOLS identifies Duarte Frutos’ party as Asociación Nacional Republicana – Partido Colorado (ANR-PC). Political Handbook of the World (2015) identifies the ANR-PC as rightist, writing, “Originating in the late 19th century, the mainstream of the Colorado Party has long been conservative in outlook.” Perspective monde (2019) corroborates party affiliation as ANR-PC and identifies the party as center-right. World Statesmen (2019) corroborates party affiliation as ANR-PC and identifies the party as rightist, “conservative”. Huber and Stephens (2016: 18) identify ANR-PC as rightist. In V-Party (2020), 6 experts identify ANR-PC’s ideology as “Center-right” (0.541) in 2003.

Years: 2008-2011

Head of Government: Fernando Armindo Lugo Méndez

Ideology: leftist

Description: HoG identifies ideology as leftist. CHISOLS and World Statesmen (2019) identify Lugo Méndez’s party as Partido Demócrata Cristiano (PDC). Political Handbook of the World (2015) describes Lugo as “a progressive Catholic bishop” supported by “the broad anti-Colorado coalition.” It also states, “In the wake of Lugo’s impeachment, leftist parties fell into disarray, paving the way for political newcomer Horacio Cartes of the Colorado Party to win a decisive victory and for the party to secure majorities in both legislative houses.” Political Handbook also describes the PDC as “the furthest left of the non-Communist groupings and one of the smallest of Paraguay’s political parties.” Perspective monde (2019) identifies party affiliation as Alianza Patriótica por el Cambio (APC), a coalition that included the PDC, and identifies the APC as center-left. World Statesmen (2019) identifies party affiliation as PDC and identifies the party as rightist, “center-right”.

Years: 2012

Head of Government: Luis Federico Franco Gómez

Ideology: centrist

Description: HoG identifies ideology as centrist. CHISOLS does not identify head of government. World Statesmen (2019) identifies Franco Gómez’s party as Partido Liberal Radical Auténtico (PLRA). Perspective monde (2019) corroborates party affiliation as PLRA and identifies the party as centrist. Huber and Stephens (2016: 18) identify PLRA as center-left. In V-Party (2020), 6 experts identify PLRA’s ideology as “Right” (1.976) in 2008. In V-Party (2020), 6 experts identify “some visible disagreement” in PLRA in 2008.

Years: 2013-2017

Head of Government: Horacio Manuel Cartes Jara

Ideology: rightist

Description: HoG identifies ideology as rightist. CHISOLS does not identify head of government. Lansford (2015) identifies Jara’s party as Asociación Nacional Republicana – Partido Colorado (ANR-PC). DPI and Huber and Stephens (2016) identify ANR-PC’s ideology as rightist. Political Handbook of the World (2015) elaborates, writing, “Formed in 1887, the mainstream of the Colorado Party has long been conservative in outlook.” It also states, “In the wake of Lugo’s impeachment, leftist parties fell into disarray, paving the way for political newcomer Horacio Cartes of the Colorado Party to win a decisive victory and for the party to secure majorities in both legislative houses.” Perspective monde (2019) identifies party affiliation as Partido Colorado (PC) and identifies the party as center-right. World Statesmen (2019) corroborates party affiliation as ANR-PC and identifies the party as rightist, “conservative”. In V-Party (2020), 6 experts identify ANR-PC’s ideology as “Center-right” (1.662) in 2013.

Years: 2018-2020

Head of Government: Mario Abdo Benitez

Ideology: rightist

Description: HoG does not identify ideology. CHISOLS does not identify head of government. Perspective Monde (2021) identifies Benitez’s party affiliation as Partido Colorado (PC) and identifies the party as center-right. World Statesmen (2021) corroborates party affiliation as ANR-PC (Asociación Nacional Republicana-Partido Colorado) and describes the party as conservative. DPI and Huber and Stephens (2016: 18) identify ANR-PC’s ideology as rightist. Political Handbook of the World (2015) elaborates, writing, “Formed in 1887, the mainstream of the Colorado Party has long been conservative in outlook.” In V-Party (2020), 6 experts identify ANR-PC’s ideology as “Center-right” (1.662) in 2018.

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