A Salvadoran soldier stops a couple trying to cross a checkpoint, as part of a security measures after health authorities found a positive patient of the coronavirus disease (COVID-19), in Metapan, El Salvador March 19, 2020. REUTERS/Jose Cabezas

SAN SALVADOR (Reuters) - El Salvador has registered its first case of coronavirus infection in the country, President Nayib Bukele said on Wednesday.

In a televised address, Bukele said the person was known to have visited Italy recently.

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