

After the Coup, Restoring the Trust

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It must be faced that the sum of all the allegations is that we were the victims of a coup d'état or an attempted coup. I weigh my words carefully. I am aware that the strict definition of a coup d'état is "a sudden decisive exercise of force whereby the existing government is subverted." But, surely, an attempt to capture or retain control of a government by illegal means is action of the same genre.

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