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- Talking about the 2019 Budget, he confirmed that the *Revenue Law* will not include either higher and/or new taxes. Moreover, they will rely heavily on the guidance of Banxico in terms of macroeconomic forecasts
- The Budget will include higher wages for public servants earning less than MXN 20,000 per month, with increases that could be up to 3% above inflation
- He stated that the government will support state governors that request immediate resource transfers from “local tax collections that the federation does in their name” via anticipated payments, in order to help them comply with their financial liabilities. Nevertheless, this could be constrained by the capabilities of the government’s budget
- Regarding the *Government Salaries’ Act*, he said that they will be respectful of income proposals made by other powers of the Union and autonomous entities, passing them unchanged to the Lower Chamber, which is responsible of approving expenditures, as required by law. He said this in response to a reporter’s question about the legal resources that some public servants have placed in order to avoid salary cuts
- AMLO informed that the three candidates that will be proposed to the Senate to substitute outgoing minister José Ramón Cossío at the Supreme Court will include: Loretta Ortiz-Ahlf, Celia Maya-García, and Juan González-Alcántara
- On the other hand, Congress is in the process to approve the law that will create the Attorney General’s Office, so he will present his three candidates after the process is finished
- Related to the latter, he said that the elected Attorney General will have the faculty of naming the persons responsible of the anti-corruption and electoral branches
- About the airport, he reiterated that any related issue will be handled by the Ministry of Finance, without further comments after a reporter asked about the “*bad deal*” that the repurchase program represents for the government
- Lastly, he said that the government’s proposal to combat gasoline theft will be presented next week. About Obredecht, he instructed to release all existing reports related to the case, aiming to show complete transparency

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