

## Nicaragua anniversary: The regrets of ex-revolutionaries

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*Political repression has worsened since mass protests began last year and many have fled to Costa Rica.*



[Nicaragua](#)'s governing Sandinista party is celebrating the 40th anniversary of the revolution that toppled dictator Anastasio Somoza Debayle.

At the time, the revolution caused ripples around the world.

But amid a brutal crackdown against the opposition, some are questioning what that revolution has actually achieved.

Al Jazeera's John Holman reports.