

Video Captures Moment Man Tries to Shoot Argentina's Vice President in the Face

Cristina Fernandez de Kirchner was greeting supporters outside her home when the would-be assassin held a gun to her face and pulled the trigger.

Argentina's Vice President Cristina Fernandez de Kirchner survived an assassination attempt on Thursday night, after a man with a loaded gun tried to shoot her in the head at close range while she was greeting supporters in front of her house. The gun, which had been loaded with five bullets, did not go off, according to officials.

Argentinian president Alberto Fernandez described the incident as "the most serious event we have gone through since Argentina returned to democracy [in 1983]."

"A man pointed a firearm at her head and pulled the trigger," President Fernandez said in a televised address. "Cristina is still alive because, for some reason yet to be confirmed, the gun... did not fire."

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