



# Newsletter

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## The voice of the President

**Message from Mr. Luis Raúl González Pérez, at presentation of the 2014 Annual Activity Report of the National Human Rights Commission, to the Permanent Committee of the Congress Union**

Mexico City, January 28<sup>th</sup>, 2015

He stressed however complex existing circumstances in our country, Mexico cannot renounce to its democratic conviction nor constrain its Rule of Law.

He explained that reduction of impunity as timely and proper law enforcement implies the respect of human rights. He also highlighted: that after Iguala and Tlatlaya events, there is no way to recover the apparent normality we used to have as a country, because “it was anomalous and was established upon simulation, negligence, indolence, lack of pertinent information as well as public accountability of those who led this state of affairs”.

Therefore, the president of CNDH called to self-critically review the road traveled

and try to redirect actions, as well as to understand the complexity of collective anger, and erosion of legitimacy forcing an attitude, strategy and speech change. He said, this will be possible if we understand and keep in mind our reality, and if we once again listen ourselves and dialogue to seek peace, truth and justice.

González Pérez stressed to deputies and senators of different political forces represented at the Congress of the Union, that when he took office of the National Commission, he set as objectives: the implacable defense of fundamental rights, comprehensive assistance and representation of victims, and contribute to constrain impunity.

Likewise, he outlined to execute the faculties that the Constitution and laws provide to CNDH, specially autonomy, and research of serious cases of human rights violations.

The President of CNDH stated that events at Iguala are example of omission, negligence and lack of State's commitment. The State should have alerted and take timely and forceful measures on what was brewing.

The Ombudsman also considered that the most relevant issue of 2014 to be reported is

the awareness on human rights that events as Tlatlaya and Iguala have prompted in our society, as well as the new action paradigm to be assumed by authorities and institutions from them.

He informed that the most pointed out authorities as responsible of human rights violations were: IMSS, 1542 cases; Decentralized Administrative Body for Prevention and Social Rehabilitation of SEGOB, 1,177; SEDENA, 642; Federal Police, 580, ISSSTE 538; SEP, 530; PGR, 487; Migration, 450; Navy, 374 and INFONAVIT, 326. In regard authorities that rejected the CNDH recommendations, all of them from municipalities' scope, he noted that this national Organism will fully exercise its powers.

González Pérez said that from now on, Ombudsman's report to the Powers of the Union, will inform of human rights situation in Mexico, obstacles that will be faced by management, confront while its process, reluctant authorities to collaborate or accomplish recommendations and, of course, needed reforms to increase human rights respect and defense.

[http://www.cndh.org.mx/sites/all/fuentes/documentos/Comunicados/2015/COM\\_2015\\_019.pdf](http://www.cndh.org.mx/sites/all/fuentes/documentos/Comunicados/2015/COM_2015_019.pdf)



## Event of the month

**Annual International Day of Commemoration in Memory of the Victims of the Holocaust**

Mexico City, January 26<sup>th</sup>, 2015

Participation of Mr. Luis Raúl González Pérez, President of CNDH, at the International Day of Commemoration in Memory of the Victims of the Holocaust, held at the auditorium “Jaime Torres Bodet” of the Anthropology National Museum.



## THE NATIONAL OMBUDSMAN PRESENTED CNDH PRIORITIES

**CGCP/005/15**

January 8<sup>th</sup>, 2015

Mexico's profitable international activism at presenting and monitoring initiatives in several forums hasn't been properly translated at domestic level, which has contributed with mistrust and lack of credibility in State's institutions, included CNDH, stressed the national Ombudsman at members of the Mexican Foreign Service. Thus, he said, it is urgent to carry out a self-critical exercise in order to search for mechanisms that allows to harmonize foreign speech with domestic policy on the matter.

At his participation as speaker at the XXVI Ambassadors and Consuls Meeting led by the Minister of Foreign Affairs, he added that challenges encourage to leave old structures of the legal ambit to make way for more efficient and flexible law, which also will have an international perspective and will be based on international principles of human rights standards and in not binding rules,

such as General Observations issued by the committees and organs of treaties; international organisms resolutions and guidelines, as International Jurisprudence standards.

At Ambassadors, Consuls,



senior staff of the Foreign Affairs Minister, former Ministers, Emeritus and Eminent Ambassadors, González Pérez stressed Mexico's complex situation in human rights matter causes that issues as torture, extra judiciary executions, migration, discrimination in all its forms, - specially to women-, indigenous people rights, human trafficking, attacks to journalists and human rights civil defenders, as well as enforceability to economic, social and culture rights, require special attention and follow up during the coming year.

Therefore, he convened members of the Mexican Foreign Service to urgently locate as the center of every public institution the defense and protection of human rights, and the special victims' care of fundamental rights violations.

"Embassies and Consulates -he explain- exert vital functions in order that Mexicans make effective their rights in other countries, thus I would like to point out the National Commission willingness to take jointly actions in search of the defense and promotion of human rights of our nationals". Finally the President of CNDH noted that human rights are a vital issue for foreign policy of national states, which should act with transparency and held accountable for its deeds.

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## CNDH RECLASSIFIED TLATLAYA'S CASE AS "SERIOUS VIOLATIONS" TO HUMAN RIGHTS.

**CGCP/007/15**

January 13<sup>th</sup>, 2015

CNDH decided to reclassify Tlatlaya case file as "Serious Violations" to Human Rights, so that authorities to whom recommendation 51/2014 was addressed, take into account this fact within implemented actions to accomplish thereof.

tional Defense, the Attorney General, and Mexico State's Governor, for aforementioned effects.

This reclassification has its legal basis in articles 1<sup>o</sup>-first, second and third paragraph; 102, paragraph B, last paragraph of the Constitution of the United Mexican States; and 6<sup>o</sup>, Section XV, of CNDH's Law.

to above mentioned authorities, by accrediting consistent violating facts on arbitrary deprivation of life, arbitrary use of force, torture and inhumane treatment, as well as violating acts to truth rights and access to justice.

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The President of this National Commission by agreement CNDH/2/2014/5390/Q, required to notify this fact to victims, to the Minister of Na-

On July 11<sup>th</sup>, this National Commission began by office the file CNDH/2/2014/5390/Q, which led to recommendation 51/2014, issued on October 21<sup>st</sup>, 2014, addressed



**THE NATIONAL OMBUDSMAN MEETS WITH THE UNITED STATES AMBASSADOR**

**CGCP/012/15**

January 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2015

The National Ombudsman, received today in his office the courtesy visit of the US Ambassador in our country, Anthony Wayne. At the meeting, both sides agreed to maintain a fluid dialogue on human rights matters, mainly those that are common for both countries.

Among the topics discussed during the meeting, Rights of Migrants and Human Trafficking were highlighted. González Pérez expressed that CNDH position is to be all the way beside victims, to demand justice, as well as human rights violations' repair.

budsman assumes the sensitive task, and said human rights protection is key for democracies, therefore he wished him the best success during his assignment.



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Ambassador Wayne brought up the complex moment in which the new national Om-

**THE NATIONAL OMBUDSMAN ADDRESSED A LETTER TO CIDH'S HEAD**

**CGCP/013/15**

January 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2015

The national Ombudsman addressed a letter to the Executive Secretary of the Inter-American Human Rights Commission, Emilio Álvarez Icaza, where he expressed its appreciation towards the designation of an interdisciplinary group of

experts that will provide technical assistance to the Mexican



government in investigating the whereabouts of the missing students at Iguala, Guerrero.

Likewise, the head of CNDH confirmed the interest to work in coordination with the CIDH group of professionals, and offered them all the needed support to clarify and locate the students.

[http://www.cndh.org.mx/sites/all/fuentes/documentos/Comunicados/2015/COM\\_2015\\_013.pdf](http://www.cndh.org.mx/sites/all/fuentes/documentos/Comunicados/2015/COM_2015_013.pdf)

**THE OMBUDSMAN AND THE INTER-AMERICAN COURT AGREED THE IMPORTANCE OF APPLYING INTERNATIONAL STANDARDS IN THE WORK OF CNDH**

**CGCP/014/15**

January 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2015

The national Ombudsman, Luis Raúl González Pérez, and the President of the Inter-American Human Rights Court, Humberto Antonio Sierra Porto, high-

lighted the importance of the application of international standards to strengthen the work of the National Human Rights Commission (CNDH), in particular those resulting from the judgments of this international organization.

date an agreement that reflects that collaboration.



During the encounter, the holders of both instances commented several topics related with human rights, among which stand the need to advance decisively towards a profuse disclosure of such rights.




At the meeting, held at Ombudsman's offices, González Pérez and Sierra Porto agreed to intensify communication between both institutions, for which they undertook to prepare and sign , at an early

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**a) Federal Government**

Authority	Matter	
<p><b>Mexican Navy</b></p>  	<p>Arbitrary detention, illegal detention, torture and undignified treatment in detriment to V1 and V2 inmates at the CEFERESO number 5 "Oriente", in Villa Aldama, Veracruz</p>	<p><a href="#">Recomendación 03/2015</a></p>



Authority	Matter	
<p><b>Constitutional Government of the State of Sinaloa</b></p> 	<p>Impugnation appeal of V1 against non-acceptance of recommendation addressed to Sinaloa's Attorney General of Justice.</p>	<p><a href="#">Recomendación 01/2015</a></p>



Authority	Matter	
<p><b>Constitutional Government of the State of Chiapas</b></p>  <p>GOBIERNO DEL ESTADO DE CHIAPAS</p>	<p>Homicide of V1 and V2, Honduran migrants, occurred at railway area Pakal-Ná-Salto del Agua, Palenque community, Chiapas.</p>	<p><a href="#">Recomendación 02/2015</a></p>

## ARTICLE OF THE MONTH

### Hunger for weapons

*The world isn't in peace and there is no genuine will to change this situation*

*La Razon (Printed Edition) / Lucia Sauma  
00:02 / January 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2015*

On December 16<sup>th</sup>, 2014, the Stockholm International Peace Research Institute, reported that the 100 largest arms-producing companies accumulated \$ 402, 000 million dollars in sales at 2013. Earlier, the FAO announced that there was a lack of annual investment of \$ 44 000 millions dollars to eradicate hunger worldwide; governments of the developed countries

think it's a lot of money and assured not to have that amount, even though they are the same that committed to halve poverty at 2015.

To combat hunger would be cheaper than ignoring it, stressed activists that try to eradicate this scourge. But it is almost impossible to reason with those who take decisions worldwide, in a world where sanity has been lost, and where richness ambition stands out, spreading wars that benefit those dealing with death.

In this moment at least 23 countries are in armed conflict: 11 in Asia, nine in Africa, two in Europe and one in America. It's about internal

conflicts, some old as the one in Burma, since 1948; Colombia, since 1964; India, since 1964; and among the most recent the one in Ukraine, since 2014.

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## THE BOOK OF THE MONTH

**Human rights and personal data protection at XXI century. Tribute to Cinta Castillo Jiménez** [Kindle Edition]  
Álvaro Sánchez Bravo  
(Author)

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Since the seventies, technological developments have shown greater emphasis on the field of Information Technology and Communication.

Today, technical progress allows us to manage, store and relay information, in any of its layouts regardless of the distance, time and volume.

However, it is required that



globalization isn't idealized to be truly appreciated, because together to undeniable progress and improvements, has evidenced the

phenomenon of citizens' violations of rights and liberties; mainly to personal data protection. To all these issues, are covered by this collective work, result of the efforts of a large group of specialists from both sides of the Atlantic, whose common target is the defense of human rights and public liberties.

<http://www.amazon.com.mx/Derechos-protecci%C3%B3n-personales-Homenaje-Castillo-ebook/dp/B00OP5POXO>



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