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The voice of the President

Message from Luis Raúl González Pérez, at the CNDH Annual Report Presentation to the United Nations Committee on Enforced Disappearances.

Geneva, Switzerland, February 2nd, 2015

Mr. González Pérez recognized today in front of the United Nations Committee on Enforced Disappearances, that disappearances in Mexico constitute a serious safety problem.

Additionally, he expressed that currently human rights face one of its most critical and challenging stages in our country. He stressed that although human rights have reached a level of recognition never before seen since the constitutional amendment of June 2011, "facts demonstrate inconsistency between what is laid down by rules and the reality".

While presenting the report on disappearance to the spe-

cialized agency of The United Nations, Luis Raúl González Pérez mentioned delays and omissions made by the Mexican government on the subject, and emphasized the urgency to carry out a work of database systematization, debugging and certification, by a proper methodology



and clear criteria, that can help to establish in which cases there are signs of enforced disappearances, attributed to state agents or private individuals acting with their support, tolerance or consent.

Also, the Mexican Ombudsman suggested 14 measures that will allow comprehensive care of the problem on enforced disappearances: Among them, it was included the recognition of the cited committee to receive individual communications; the ap-

proval of the General Law on Enforced Disappearance; issue the Rules of the Law on National Registration Data on Missing or Disappeared Persons; continue searching and recording clandestine graves, and identifying people; as well as the establishment of a National System

for Missing or Not Localized Persons Search, and the development of a database.

After noting that CNDH has issued 13 recommendations on enforced disappearances, he referred that the events occurred the last September 26th and 27th,

in Guerrero, involve the enforced disappearances of 43 people. Therefore, according to its constitutional and legal powers, this national agency conducts the corresponding research.

He explained that in this context, a Special Office was created to address the case. Also, he met with the families of the disappeared students, who accepted CNDH assistance.

<http://www.cndh.org.mx/sites/all/fuentes/documentos/>

Event of the month

Eighth Session Period of the United Nations Committee on Enforced Disappearances

Geneva, Switzerland, February 3rd, 2015

Participation as the National Human Rights Commission's President, Mr. Luis Raúl González Pérez, during the Eighth Session Period of the United Nations Committee on Enforced Disappearance, in Geneva, Switzerland.



FULL SUPPORT FROM THE UN HIGH COMMISSIONER TO THE CNDH

CGCP/025/15

February 4th, 2015



Gianni Magazzeni, Chief Americas, Europe and Central Asia Branch Field Operations and Technical Cooperation Division of the Human Rights Committee, stated that CNDH should recover its leadership on human rights subjects and said that it has the full support of the Office.

The national ombudsman thanked the support offered by the Office of the High Commissioner and stressed that this is the most

challenging time in the last 24 years of CNDH's life.

He agreed that the National Commission, as a national institution, faces an unprecedented challenge, but at the same time it addresses an opportunity to develop a supported and assisted leadership by the UN.

Likewise, he stated CNDH is convinced that the Mexican state should accept the Committee's competence to receive individual communications. "As we have raised and we will insist on it", he assured.

Also, they talked about the meeting of The International Coordinating Committee of National Human Rights Institutions, which will be held next autumn in Mexico. It is expected the attendance of 90 representatives of different countries.

Finally, both parts agreed to continue having coordination through Javier Hernández, representative in Mexico of the UN High Commissioner Office for Human Rights.

http://www.cndh.org.mx/sites/all/fuentes/documentos/Comunicados/2015/COM_2015_025.pdf

THE MEXICAN OMBUDSMAN MEETS WITH HIS SPANISH COUNTERPART

CGCP/027/15

February 5th, 2015

The Mexican Ombudsman, Luis Raúl González Pérez, met with his Spanish counterpart, Soledad Becerril, with whom he agreed in the need to speed procedures and simplify recommendations in order to encourage victims in terms of timing and easier understanding of its affairs.

In the meeting, held at the headquarters of the *Defensoría del Pueblo*, in Madrid, both ombudsmen shared opinions about tasks, individual experiences and common challenges faced by both institutions where human rights are engaged, specially in migrants' protection.

They stressed the important value that trans-

parency has in the performance of institutions responsible for defending human rights, not only by giving timely information to complainants about the development of their cases, but also about the internal

report, but wisely, never confrontational", she stressed.

The President of the National Human Rights Commission, agreed with the reinforcement of institutions'

authority responsible for defending human rights, and expressed that this can only be achieved through daily actions and with the support of victims.

Finally, both sides decided to exchange information and share

best practices in different areas, as to reactivate the Collaboration Agreement established in 2013.



work.

Ms. Soledad Becerril underlined the need to strengthen the principle of authority of the Defenders, as to ensure independence from power and to act with prudence. "It is very important to report what you have to

CNDH WELCOMES THE RECOMMENDATIONS RAISED TO THE MEXICAN GOVERNMENT BY THE UN COMMITTEE ON ENFORCED DISAPPEARANCES

CGCP/032/15

February 13th, 2015

CNDH welcomes the concluding observations released by the United Nations Committee on Enforced Disappearance, at Geneva, about the report submitted by Mexico in early February, because its adoption and implementation represents the possibility of achieving progress in fighting this stubborn problem.

CNDH considers that compliance of the observations made by the United Nations Committee on Enforced Disappearance will reimburse, in good measure, the lack of congruence between what is laid down by law and the prevailing reality in our country.

The Committee emphasizes the importance of building a Single

Record on Missing Persons. Mainly, CNDH points out the significance to be monitored by the Committee, in particular notes the importance of the Committee's observation on the creation of a General Act on this subject, plus the implementation of legislative measures in order to ensure that promptly enforced disappearance should be typified at federal and state levels, and that it should be adjusted to what is stipulated in the Convention, taking into account the continuous nature thereof. Notably, the Committee on Enforced Disappearance recognized that Mexican state fully favored the United Nations Human Rights fundamental instruments and almost all its optional protocols. Also, it positively assessed the given consti-

tutional status to human rights, granted in the international agreements in which Mexico is part, and welcomed the approval of the General Act on Victims, and the Amparo Act, of 2013.

The full text of the concluding observations on the report submitted by Mexico under article 29th, paragraph 1, of the Convention, can be consulted on this webpage:

http://www.cndh.org.mx/sites/all/fuentes/documentos/Eventos/observaciones_UNU.pdf

http://www.cndh.org.mx/sites/all/fuentes/documentos/Comunicados/2015/COM_2015_032.pdf



CNDH CALLED TO PROVIDE EQUITABLE RECOGNITION OF INDIGENOUS LANGUAGES IN RESPECT OF SPANISH

CGCP/041/15

February 21st, 2015

As celebrating the International Mother Language Day, CNDH urged government authorities to recognize equitably indigenous languages in respect of Spanish language. It also believes that incorporating the native languages of the indigenous people must be made in administrative, educational, justice and health government

regulatory systems stressing the importance of promoting through the entire national population knowledge about linguistic diversity country.

According to the National Indigenous Languages Catalogue, in the country there are spoken 364 linguistic variations, organized in 68 groups and 11 linguistic families, which are part of the national cultural and linguistic heritage.

Since August 14th, 2001, with the amendment of the 2nd

Constitutional article, Mexico is recognized as nation of multicultural composition, originally sustained on its indigenous peoples, to whom their rights are recognized and guaranteed, both individually and collectively.

http://www.cndh.org.mx/sites/all/fuentes/documentos/Comunicados/2015/COM_2015_041.pdf



CNDH AND PEN INTERNATIONAL WILL BOOST FREEDOM OF EXPRESSION AND IMPUNITY COMBAT

CGCP/044/15

February 3rd, 2015

The National Human Rights Commission and PEN International will boost, from its respective scope of competence, freedom of expression and impunity combat in order to create a more favorable climate for professional performance of journalists, newscasters and any professional who requires use of oral or written word, as poets, essayists and novelists.

This became clear during the meeting held by CNDH's President and a PEN's delegation, which was led by its President Mr. John Ralston Saul. González Pérez stressed the importance that has for CNDH

the contact with civil society organizations concerned with freedom of expression defense. He referred that this national agency attaches great importance to these issues, and therefore has a specific area that deals with cases of injury to journalists and civil human rights defenders, "because those grievances, shouldn't stay unpunished", he highlighted.

He noted two existing challenges for CNDH in this field: the first one refers to prevention and contact with journalists and newscasters organizations in order to build strategies, and the second one is to attend those who have been victims of aggression, as well to require the organs responsible


for law enforcement, to do their job.

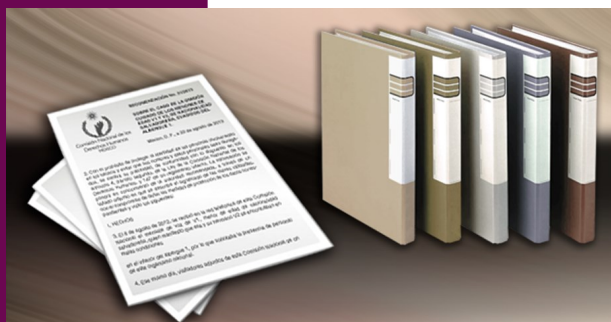
PEN International, whose acronym means Poets, Essayists and Novelists, was established in England at 1921, and it has been conformed by writers defending writers. Over the years it has been built by journalists, bloggers, twitterers, historiographers among others, with more than 30 thousand members in 110 countries.

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a) Federal Government

Authority	Matter	
<p data-bbox="533 645 767 763">National Institute of Social Security (Spanish acronym – IMSS)</p> 	<p data-bbox="823 680 1166 891">Inappropriate medical care to V1 and loss of life of V2 at General Hospital No. 8, belonging to the National Institute of Social Security in Uruapan, Michoacán.</p>	<p data-bbox="1195 757 1374 815"><u>Recomendación 05/2015</u></p>



ARTICLE OF THE MONTH

¿Does 2015 will be a key year for development? UN says, Yes

By *THALIF DEEN*

The United Nations promotes 2015 as a key year in several fundamental areas, such as funds for the developing of Southern states, climate change, sustainable development, natural disasters risk reduction and nuclear proliferation.

At same time, this year the worldwide forum celebrates its 70th anniversary and commemorates the 20th anniversary of Beijing Conference on Women.

“Above all, it is a reminder that the world’s states act, as usual, irresponsibly. And we need a world that works much better if we want to survive the threats and challenges of the twenty”: James Paul.

In a report entitled The path to dignity in 2030: the end of poverty, the transfor-



mation of all lives and protecting the planet, published in December, the UN General Secretary, Ban Ki-moon,

stated that 2015 is “the time for global action”.

Among the upcoming meetings are: the third World Conference on Disaster Risk Reduction that will be held in March, in Sendai, Japan, the quinquennial review of the Nuclear Nonproliferation Treaty in April and May in New York, and the Third International Conference on Financing for Development in July, in Addis Abeba.

<http://www.ipsnoticias.net/2015/02/2015-sera-un-ano-clave-para-el-desarrollo-si-dice-la-onu/>

BOOK OF THE MONTH

The Third Generation of Human Rights

ANTONIO ENRIQUEZ PÉREZ LUÑO

PAGES: 320

EDITORIAL: ARANZADI

LANGUAGE: CASTILIAN

ISBN: 9788497676403

The profound transformations created by the Enlightenment have significant impact in nowadays society.

The rationalist postulates, clothed with the aim of immutability, favored human rights birth.

However, the illustrated and timeless paradigm is criticized from multiple theoretical frameworks (Marxism, Historicism, Neokantism, Existentialism etc.).

Overcoming this outdated



and static notion replacing it with a new dynamic model of study and interpretation of human rights, is the fundamental contribution of sustained generational concept in this book.

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