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#### The voice of the President

THE CNDH CALLS UPON SOCIETY AND AUTHORITIES TO WORK JOINTLY TOWARDS PEA-CE IN THE COUNTRY, WITH A VIEW TO MAKE VALUES EFFECTIVE SUCH AS JUSTICE, EQUALITY AND FREEDOM

# September 21ST, International Day of Peace

The National Human Rights Commission (CNDH) considers that the critical juncture that are having the human rights in the country increases the priority on working together as authorities and society in order to avoid violence that is arising in some areas of the country, seeking that through peace another values such as justice, equality and freedom should be achieved.

While recognizing that our country does not faces war conflicts against another nation, the International Day of Peace that is celebrated today, September 21st, is an appropriate occasion to work towards no-violence and in favor of people's dignity recognition.

In this sense, the CNDH emphasizes human rights full exercise and respect to people's dignity as an unavoidable condition for any country development, for its inhabitants, and in order to strengthen the values we aspire.

Enforced disappearances, torture, arbitrary executions, illegal detentions, human trafficking, abuses against migrants, grievances and assaults to journalists and human rights defenders, as well as absences and wrongdoings within the penitentiary system, among other issues, besides infringing upon people's dignity, weakens the State, divides society and brakes on the national project for which we should be working together.

We must not be indifferent to the violations of human rights or resign. Our individual and collective future is at jeopardy, as well as of our descendants and of the society of which we are part. Hence, the need to adopt a humanist vision allowing us to sympathize with others and to recognize challenges to be met in a spirit of solidarity.

The CNDH reiterates the need to work towards achieving peace, not just in terms of violence absence, but as a way of solving conflicts between people. Human rights validity is possible when there is peace, without it, there cannot be justice, nor comprehensive development could exist within society. Peace is an objective towards whose achievement not only concern authorities, because it is a process that should be stated through the nation's inhabitant's commitment.

This commemorative day established on 1981 by the United Nations General Assembly, Resolution 36/67, and in 2001 by the Resolution 55/282, where the General Assembly decided through consensus to appoint this commemoration as a workshop that urges the no violence and ceasefire.

Through the adoption of 2030 Agenda for the development, UN countries members committed to eliminate poverty, to protect the planet and to ensure prosperity to all persons. Thus, these goals final purpose is to achieve peace and thereof development, mutually strengthen elements, in order to accomplish "Sustainable Development Objectives: constituent elements of peace".

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# UNESCO IN MEXICO AND THE CNDH SIGNED A LETTER OF INTENT TO ENCOURAGE CULTURAL RIGHTS PROMOTION AND DEVELOPMENT

September 28th, 2016

The United Nations Organization for Education, Science and Culture (UNESCO) in México and the National Human Rights Commission (CNDH), which both are defenders of human rights protection, promotion and safeguarding, joined efforts to encourage diverse initiatives upon culture rights scope as essential facilitators of other human rights effective exercise.

These cooperation efforts between UNESCO in México and the CNDH are part of the efforts that are being made in our country upon the implementation of the 2030 United Nations Agenda and the Sustainable Development Objectives, which makes constant reference to human rights and are crosscutting principles of it.

Nuria Sanz, Director and UNESCO Representative in México, together with Luis Raúl González Pérez, President of the CNDH, signed the Letter of Intent allowing joint initiatives development in order to outline guidelines, stablish recommendations and to associate international, conceptual and technical frameworks that will address public policies about cultural human rights.

Likewise, this letter will bring the essential basic items on the design of methodologies that will contribute to reinforce the institutional capacities on cultural rights.

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#### COLABORATIVE RELATIONS BETWEEN THE INTER-AMERICAN HUMAN RIGHTS COURT, THE NATIONAL HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION AND THE MEXICAN FEDERATION OF PUBLIC ORGANIZATIONS FOR THE PROTECTION OF HUMAN RIGHTS ARE REINFORCED

CGCP/226/16 September 6th, 2016



During the visit of the ICHR, a panel discussion took place with the participation of the CNDH as well as heads of autonomous bodies of human rights and judges from the Inter-American Court.

Attended by the President of the IHR Court, Roberto F. Caldas; the National Ombudsman, Luis Raúl González Pérez: Felipe de Jesús Martínez Rodarte, President of the Mexican Federation of Public Organizations for the Protection of Human Rights; Vicepresident of the IHR Court, Judge Eduardo Ferrer Mac-Gregor Poisot, judge Eduardo Vío Grossi and the judge Humberto Antonio Sierra Porto, as well as the Secretary, Pablo Saavedra Alesandri, experiences and juridical criteria of high relevance were exchanged to guide those in charge of public defense and safeguard of human rights.

From this dialogue, and in the framework of the General and Specific Collaboration Agreements, signed by the CNDH and the IHR Court on 2015, the institutions agreed to encourage a specialized training program according with international rigorous standards. Furthermore, the IHR Court will provide to personal of the states' Human Rights Commissions and CNDH this knowledge.

Among the training topics, it was considered deepening on the following: serious violations to human rights, full reparation for harm, arbitrary executions, torture, enforced disappearances and human trafficking. At the same time, it will be emphasized the treatment of groups that are in a vulnerable situation.

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#### CNDH AND AEROMEXICO ALLIANCE

DGC/228/16 September 9th, 2016

The CNDH, by its National Campaign on Human Trafficking Prevention, informed to the population, mainly to adolescents, about the risks that implies accepting uncertain and dangerous sentimental or labor invitations or proposals, and what does it involves not looking beyond appearances.

Thanks to AEROMEXICO's awareness and collaboration, company which had expressed interest upon supporting fight against human trafficking, since the month of July the CNDH's TV spot named "Take care of yourself, go beyond appearances", has



been transmitted on its aircrafts screens.

As result of the alliance between the CNDH, AEROMEXI-CO and "10n1 against Slavery Movement" a joint front will be consolidated to stop possible human trafficking by air transportation, through a short and long term strategy that will cover preventive messages dissemination, airline staff training, guidelines implementation for detection of possible victims to be relocated, in order to get denounces for relevant authorities.

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# THE CNDH HIGHLIGHTS THE IMPORTANCE OF THE APPROPIATE MANAGEMENT AND CONTROL OF CHEMICAL SUBSTANCES THAT ARE DESTROYING THE OZONE LAYER

DGC/232/16 September 16th, 2016

To reflect the fact that production and usage of different chemical substances, mainly the ones used by old refrigeration systems and air conditioning, have caused serious damages to the atmosphere, among them the ozone layer disappearance in the southern part of the planet and the increasing of UV radiation, the international community adopted in 1987 the "Montreal Protocol on substances that deplete the ozone layer".

Mexico is part of this international instrument which aims to control the cited substances usage, as well as to create permissible terms and production levels and consumption.

At the International Day for the Preservation of the Ozone Layer framework, the National Human Rights Commission considers that in the context of enjoying the right to a healthy environment, the appropriate management and control of chemical substances that deplete the ozone layer are part of the conditions that ensure

a healthy and dignified life for the population.

Likewise, the CNDH calls upon authorities, that within their powers scope, contribute in a coordinate way to attend commitments under Montreal Protocol and its amendments, and that this will contribute to achieve the goals of the 2030 Agenda for the Sustainable Development and to



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ensure that the human right to a healthy environment and other involved human rights should be respected.

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#### THE CNDH REQUESTS TO IMPLEMENT PRECAUTIONARY MEASURES TO THE NATIONAL INSTITUTE FOR MIGRATION, AUTHORITIES OF BAJA CALIFORNIA GOVERNMENT, TO MUNICIPAL PRESIDENT OF TIJUANA, FACING THE INCREASING OF NATIONAL AND FOREIGN MIGRATORY FLOWS

#### DGC/233/16

September 17th, 2016

Since last July 17th of this year, personnel of the CNDH has consistently documented the increase on the flows of persons that are on a migratory context and that are arriving to Tijuana, Baja California in order to request the US authorities, through the international border of San Isidro, international protection in the United States of America.

Specifically, last September 12th it was noted the presence of 1,100 people, among them 300 were Mexicans that mentioned that they abandoned their place of origin because of circumstances of violence, and others of foreign origin conformed by families and vulnerable groups.

Likewise, it was learned by a press release published on 13th of this month, the arrival of at least 2,000 Haitians migrants to Tijuana, Baja California, who are waiting to obtain sheets from the US government in order to apply for humanitarian visa.

Due to the increase of applicants that are in need of staying in Mexican territory while their wait for their interests; it was warned that they did not count with the minimum requirements for their stay and safety while the time they are waiting for their interviews. Thus the National Human Rights Commission (CNDH) requested to the National Institute of Migration (INM), as well as to different authorities of Baja California State Government and to the Municipal President of Tijuana, to adopt urgent precautionary measures in favor of these persons who face a risk because of the vulnerable situation in which they are.

Therefore, the CNDH requested to the competent authorities that in a coordinate manner and according to the powers, instruct measures in order to provide temporary shelter to foreign population and nationals who are living in the streets; that in the available shelters these people must be provided with food, assistance; washing, medical and psychological care, in order to provide them with appropriate attention, mainly to vulnerable groups, with full respect to their dignity and human rights.

Also, the CNDH requested to implement the needed actions that will provide public safety, while these persons stay in the city of Tijuana and also asked the authorities to notify in a period of not less than 24 hours precautionary measures acceptance.

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# THE CNDH UPDATES THE DIAGNOSTIC FIGURES ON HUMAN TRAFFICKING SITUATION IN MEXICO

#### DGC/240/16 September 23rd, 2016

In August 2014, the National Human Rights Commission presented the Diagnostic on the situation of Human Trafficking in Mexico, in order to contribute to human rights observance in the country, to warn public opinion towards this crime existence, about its roots and damages that are caused to victims, as well as to raise awareness among all society segments about the urgency of joining efforts in order to fight against human trafficking.

With the purpose of updating the data, the CNDH requested information to the 32 local procurators' offices, as to the Attorney General's Office (SEIDO y FE- VIMTRA), in order to learn more about the reported progress that has been made within the pursuit of justice and law enforcement, as well as the profile of the victims and criminals and the information about where they come from.

From the information obtained it was observed that out of 1,458 preliminary investigations that were initiated within local scope, 27% resulted into provisions and only 18.4% in convicting sentences, with a total amount of 108 persons sentenced. At federal scope, the PGR observed 571 preliminary investigations initiated, with an average of 15.9% in provisions and 1.9% within convicting sentences, with a total amount of 12 persons sentenced.

It was highlighted that the federative entities with the greater number preliminary investigations initiated are Puebla with 375, Chiapas 315, México City 113, Oaxaca118 and Baja California Norte and the State of México with 95 each, representing 76% of the total amount initiated at the local scope. In these states it was observed that only México City has an important number of sentences, with 167.

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# Recommendations

Responsible Authority	Issue	Recommendation
Ministry of Navy	About the case of violations to the right of liberty and of personal se- curity, of the inviolability of home, of personal integrity, and access to justice in grievance of V1, V2, V3, V4, V5, V6 and V7, as well as tortu- re of V7, in San Luis Potosí state.	RECOMMENDATION No. 43/ 2016 September 14th, 2016 http://www.cndh.org.mx/sites/all/doc/ Recomendaciones/2016/Rec_2016_043.pdf
Responsible Authority	lssue	Recommendation
Constitutional Government of Sonora state	About the violations to Human Rights of Legal Certainty and to personal freedom by an arbitrary detention of V, by the penitentiary personnel of Sonora state.	RECOMMENDATION No. 44/ 2016 September 29th, 2016 http://www.cndh.org.mx/sites/all/doc/ Recomendaciones/2016/Rec_2016_044. pdf
Responsible Authority	lssue	Recommendation
XL City council of Santiago Ixcuintla, Nayarit	About the impugnation appeal against the XL City Council of Santiago Ixcuintla, Nayarit, by compliance failure upon the Re- commendation 01/2014, issued by the Human Rights Protection Com- mission of Nayarit state, in V1 case.	RECOMMENDATION No. 45/ 2016 September 29th, 2016 http://www.cndh.org.mx/sites/all/doc/. Recomendaciones/2016/Rec_2016_045.pdf
Responsible Authority	lssue	Recommendation
Guerrero State Governor	About the case of obstetric violen- ce perpetrated against V1, inade- quate medical care in detriment of V1 and V2, and the right of life in detriment of V1, at the General Hospital of Ometepec, under the Ministry of Health of the state of Guerrero.	RECOMMENDATION No. 46/2016 September 30th, 2016 http://www.cndh.org.mx/sites/all/doc/ Recomendaciones/2016/Rec_2016_046.pdf
Responsible Authority	lssue	Recommendation
Mexican Social Security Institute (IMSS)	About the case of violation to the rights of health protection and life by obstetric violence, in grievance of V1 and V2, at the rural hospital 32 of IMSS in Ocosingo, Chiapas.	RECOMMENDATION No. 47 / 2016 September 30th, 2016 <u>http://www.cndh.org.mx/sites/all/doc/</u> <u>Recomendaciones/2016/Rec_2016_047.pdf</u>

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# **2 keys upon the UN research on business and labor rights in México**

From August 29th to September 7th, UN working group on human rights and business visited Mexico to learn about human rights situation upon business activity in different communities in the country.

On September 4th, the Otomí indigenous community of San Franciso Xochicuautla received the UN working group to share with them the experience they have lived for more than 8 years, in which they have denounced that others want to impose them the construction of a highway that will divide the community in two, based on human rights violations and on the infringement of warrants that dictates its suspension.

But it was not the only community they have listened. The visit to this indigenous group was part of an agenda that lasted from August 29th to September 7th, in which they met with civil society, representatives of the three levels of government and business, to discuss the implications that commercial activities have on human rights.

What is the UN Working Group on human rights and business? This group was created by the UN Human Rights Council on June 2011, and it is shaped by five autonomous experts.

http://www.animalpolitico.com/2016/09/informe-onu-empresas-derechos-humanos-mexico/

#### **Book of the month**



## **South-South Cooperation and Triangular**

**Cooperation in Latin America** 

Bruno Ayllon Pino; Tahina Ojeda Medina

No. of pages: 248 pp. Binding: Soft cover Editorial: La Catarata (Association los Libros de La Catarata) Language: Spanish Isbn: 9788483198056

In the last decade, Latin-American countries have stood out as dynamic agents of regional and international development. Its contributions to the compliance of the Millennium Development Goals and its political proposals under South-South Coalitions framework have triggered changes in global governance.

The region increases South-South cooperation (CSS) by exchanging a broad range of technical solutions and public policies that have been displayed on the framework of foreign policies that are more affirmative.

Developed countries are also interested in exploring forms that supports the CSS, as triangular cooperation. This book interprets the CSS of Latin-American countries around two main axes: autonomy and differentiation, that is, considering its systematic effects and impacts upon XXI century cooperation and outstanding the distinctive characteristics of CSS.

http://www.casadellibro.com/libro-la-cooperacion-sur-sur-y-triangular-en-america-latina/9788483198056/2102995



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