



Resolution on the situation of increased violence in Mexican territory

Centrist Democrat International - Centrist Democrat International expresses its concern at the serious situation of violence currently facing Mexico due to the absence of a security strategy.

Recently, the Secretariat of Security and Civilian Protection (SSCP) of the Federal Government reported that last May in Mexico there were a total of 2,833 homicides, making it the most violent month so far in the six-year term of President Lopez Obrador. Added to this figure are 77 femicide victims, also the highest number of 2022.

Unfortunately, this is because the populist-minded federal government pursued a policy based on “hugs, not slugs,” thus leaving the door open for criminal groups to find total impunity for their actions. This same phenomenon has increased in the crime of homicide, since sentences have been reduced by 77.8%. In addition, the U.S. Congressional Investigation Service reported that of the 32 states in the Republic only three are not under the control of organized crime and drug trafficking, levels not seen in the last 15 years. Add to that very little cooperation in security matters under this government.

The violence in Mexico has reached the degree at which citizens claim justice by their own hand, lynching and killing innocent people, at which armed commandos threaten without any punishment, and at which assaults, murders and shootings are already part of day-to-day Mexican society. On Wednesday, June 22, 91 murders were reported, including the execution of two Jesuit priests in the Sierra Tarahumara in Chihuahua, making it one of Mexico’s most violent days.

Nevertheless, despite the terrible situation, the images that shock Mexicans, the growing insecurity, the murder of 11 women per day on the basis of gender, the constant kidnappings, extortion crimes, armed assaults, murders in broad daylight, the federal government has insisted that there will be no change in security strategy. Therefore, at Centrist Democrat International we cannot avoid comparing it with other countries in the region that have reached an agreement with organized crime and where even its leaders are sought out by American justice, as is the case with Nicolas Maduro in Venezuela.

In view of this situation, once again we remember the serious human rights violations of which journalists are victims, given that so far this year 11 correspondents have been assassinated. They, like others, have not found justice.

Finally, Centrist Democrat International calls upon all parties that make up this Organization to be attentive to the situation in Mexico and to join in pointing out the danger that another Latin American country faces at the hands of a populist leader.

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