

Resolution on the migration crisis in Mexico

The Centrist Democrat International (IDC-CDI) expresses its concern over the systematic violation of human rights against migrants in Mexico, namely:

1. According to figures from the International Organization for Migration (IOM) of the United Nations, in 2022, Mexico became the main migrant country of origin and destination, resulting in an unprecedented crisis, primarily on the US-Mexican border.
2. The Lopez Obrador administration, along with the administration of former-US President, Donald Trump, implemented the Migrant Protection Protocol, also known as the “Quédate en Mexico” (*Remain in Mexico*) program. According to data from *Trac Immigration*, between February 2019 and August 2022, a total of 81,350 migrants were returned to Mexico.
3. Thus far in 2023, the migration crisis on the northern border of Mexico has worsened due to a lack of migration policies. Since January of this year, at least 30,000 migrants have been received monthly, resulting in a lack of conditions to guarantee their safety and life.
4. On March 27, 40 migrants from Colombia, El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras and Venezuela lost their lives in a fire in a detention center of the National Institute of Migration (INM), mainly due to lack of protocols, uncovering the inhuman conditions in which the migrants were living.
5. Despite this, and the apparent governmental response to clarify the events and ensure that justice be served for all families, the director of the National Migration Institute continues to head the agency, even though the Attorney General’s Office has linked him to the case given his failure to monitor and protect the migrants.
6. At the IDC – CDI, we urge Mexico to take the necessary actions to cease the serious human rights violations to which these migrants are being subjected and to ensure that these situations do not reoccur.