

EXTERNAL

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Further information on UA 339/97 (AMR 41/99/97, 30 October 1997) -
"Disappearance" / Torture / Fear for safety and new concern: Possible
Extrajudicial execution

MEXICO Aureo Mendoza Rosales
Jesús Leyva

new name: Sixta Reza Delgado (f), wife of Aureo Mendoza Rosales

On 24 October 1997, Aureo Mendoza Rosales was found dead in Cuautla, Morelos State. According to reports, the *Comisión Nacional de Derechos Humanos* (CNDH), National Human Rights Commission, asked for his body to be exhumed on 6 November 1997, to perform an autopsy, following a complaint to the CNDH made by Sixta Reza Delgado, wife of Aureo Mendoza Rosales. The autopsy revealed that he had received 55 bullet wounds.

Sixta Reza Delgado, her family, and Jesús Leyva, decided to leave the region on 22 November 1997, fearing that they will be subjected to reprisals for attempting to denounce the case.

FURTHER RECOMMENDED ACTION: Please send telegrams/faxes/express/airmail letters in Spanish or in your own language:

- seeking assurances that the safety of Jesús Leyva, Sixta Reza Delgado and her family will be guaranteed if they decide to return to the region;
- calling for a prompt and thorough investigation into the death of Aureo Mendoza Rosales and for those responsible to be brought to justice;
- expressing concern at the apparent lack of efforts on behalf of the authorities in Morelos State to bring an end to forced abductions in the region, allegedly carried out by members of the security forces.

APPEALS TO:

1) Attorney General of the Republic
Lic. Jorge Madrazo Cuellar
Procuraduría General de la República
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Salutation: Sr. Procurador de la República/Dear Attorney

2) Governor of the State of Morelos
Governor of the state of Morelos
Lic. Jorge Carrillo Olea
Gobernador del Estado de Morelos
Palacio de Gobierno Cuernavaca
Estado de Morelos, MEXICO

Telegrams: Gobernador Carrillo Olea, Morelos, Mexico

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Salutation: Sr. Gobernador / Dear Governor

COPIES TO:

Human Rights Organisations

1) Centro de Derechos Humanos
"Miguel Agustín Pro Juárez" A.C.
Puebla No. 153
Col. Roma, 06700
México D.F. MEXICO

2) Acción de los Cristianos para la Abolición de la Tortura (ACAT)
Interior Zona Comercial C.U.
Apdo 70-634, Adm 70, CP 04511
México D.F. MEXICO

and to diplomatic representatives of Mexico accredited to your country.

PLEASE SEND APPEALS IMMEDIATELY. Check with the International Secretariat,
or your section office, if sending appeals after 30 January 1998.