

URGENT ACTION

Human Rights Organisation At Risk

On 22 July 2025, the home of Dora Roblero, director of the Fray Bartolomé de Las Casas Human Rights Centre (Frayba) in San Cristóbal de las Casas, was raided by unknown individuals. After months of these attacks, measures taken to protect her are deemed not enough. We urge the General Secretariat of the State of Chiapas and the Undersecretary for Human Rights, Population and Migration to implement all necessary protective measures for Dora Roblero and the members of Frayba.

TAKE ACTION: WRITE AN APPEAL IN YOUR OWN WORDS OR USE THIS MODEL LETTER

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Dear Undersecretary for Human Rights, Population and Migration,

I am writing to express my deep concern regarding the recent attacks against Ms. Dora Roblero, director of the Fray Bartolomé de Las Casas Human Rights Centre (CDH Frayba), which took place on 22 July 2025. According to information received by Amnesty International, on that day, when Dora arrived home, she found the front door had been forced open, amongst other signs of a break-in. She immediately activated emergency measures through the Mechanism for the Protection of Human Rights Defenders. However, according to Dora Roblero, the response has been slow and ineffective.

The Frayba Human Rights Centre has reported more than 60 incidents, including harassment, intimidation and surveillance against members of the human rights organization over the past year. Despite this, the Frayba Human Rights Centre reports that the Mexican authorities have not yet provided all the protective measures they had agreed upon, nor have they investigated the attacks. Although some of the protective measures determined by Mechanism for the Protection of Human Rights Defenders have been implemented since those incidents, key actions to ensure the security of Frayba's offices remain pending. This gap significantly undermines the effectiveness of the measures.

We demand that the Mechanism for the Protection of Human Rights Defenders and Journalists fully comply with the security plan put in place to ensure the safety of Dora and the members of the Fray Bartolomé de Las Casas Human Rights Centre (FrayBa), and that a collective approach be incorporated into subsequent assessments while authorities develop a thorough investigation into these attacks in order to bring those responsible to justice.

Yours sincerely,

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Chiapas is among the states facing the most serious challenges for the Mexican State. It ranks among the highest in [poverty, violence, and internal conflicts](#).

Human rights defenders working in Chiapas are also at serious risk. [The Mexican Center for Environmental Law](#) (CEMDA, acronym in Spanish), in its 2025 report, noted that Chiapas ranks third in terms of attacks against environmental rights defenders. In the last five years, the organization documented 587 incidents of aggression, 1,428 specific attacks, and 112 lethal attacks in Mexico. The federal entities that recorded the most incidents of aggressions during those years are Oaxaca with 97 incidents of aggression, Mexico City with 56, Chiapas with 50, Jalisco with 48, and Chihuahua with 38.

In 2025, [the Observatory for Human Rights Defenders in Chiapas](#) documented 217 attacks against human rights defenders.

The work carried out by [CDH Frayba](#) since 1989 has been crucial in documenting and exposing serious human rights violations in the state. Due to the high risk they have been facing, in 2010, the IACHR granted to members of the human rights organisation precautionary measures. Considering the most recent attacks reported by members of CDH Frayba, the security measures implemented by Mexican authorities so far, are not sufficient to guarantee their safety.

On 26 April 2025, [Amnesty International](#), as well as other civil society organizations have already spoke out against stigmatizing statements made by the former President of Mexico Andrés Manuel López Obrador against CDH FrayBa

Currently, FrayBa is supporting cases that put the safety of its members at risk, meaning that the threat of attack is constant and ever-present.

Other human rights organisations have also been recently targeted. In March 2026, the [Fray Matías de Córdova Human Rights Centre](#) had its offices raided on two occasions.

PREFERRED LANGUAGE TO ADDRESS TARGET: Spanish. You can also write in your own language.

PLEASE TAKE ACTION AS SOON AS POSSIBLE UNTIL: 30 August 2026

Please check with the Amnesty office in your country if you wish to send appeals after the deadline.

NAME AND PRONOUN: Dora Lilia Roblero García (she/her)

LINK TO PREVIOUS UA: <https://www.amnesty.org/en/documents/amr41/0238/2025/en/>