

URGENT ACTION

JUSTICE FOR FEMICIDE VICTIM ACHIEVED

On 10 February 2026, a court in Chaco province, Argentina, sentenced César Sena, his father Emerenciano Sena, and his mother Marcela Acuña to life in prison for the femicide of 28-year-old Cecilia Strzyzowski. Cecilia, who had been in a relationship with César, was last seen alive on 2 June 2023, entering the Sena family home in Resistencia. NO FURTHER ACTION IS REQUESTED. MANY THANKS TO ALL WHO SENT APPEALS.

Cecilia Strzyzowski went missing on 1 June 2023 was last seen with her husband, César Sena, in Resistencia, Province of Chaco, Argentina.

Almost three years later, on 10 February 2026, César Sena, his father, Emerenciano Sena, and his mother, Marcela Acuña, were sentenced to life in prison for the murder of Cecilia. A jury trial, that began in October 2025, had returned guilty verdicts in November of that year.

César Sena was convicted of aggravated homicide — due to his relationship with the victim, and the gender-based violence context of the crime. His parents were found to be primary accomplices and received the same sentence. Additional individuals were convicted of cover-up offenses, receiving shorter prison terms.

Since Cecilia's disappearance, the Sena family had been under investigation for femicide, after possible human bones, blood traces and pieces of clothing were found at two of their properties. At that time, they were powerful local leaders and pre-candidates for provincial elections.

Amnesty International called for an effective, impartial, independent, timely and gender-sensitive investigation to establish the truth about the disappearance and possible femicide of Cecilia Strzyzowski. As a result, thousands of letters and signed petitions were sent to the Chaco Province Public Prosecutor's Office and the prosecuting team reaffirmed its commitment to ensuring delivery of justice for Cecilia and her family

NAME AND PREFERRED PRONOUN: Cecilia Strzyzowski (she/her)

THIS IS THE SECOND AND FINAL OUTPUT FOR UA 067/23

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