

URGENT ACTION

forced eviction in haiti has not taken place

The threatened forced eviction of three hundred families from their makeshift camp in Port-au-Prince, Haiti, has not taken place. However, the families remain under constant threat of forced eviction and need to be provided with durable solutions to their housing needs.

The threatened forced eviction of residents of **Camp Mormon** in the municipality of Delmas, Port-au-Prince did not take place. A group of men, including local municipal officials, entered the camp on 14 May to warn residents that they would be forcibly evicted 15 days later. Some of the residents were injured on as the men opened fire The camp's residents have told Amnesty International that since then they have not received any further threats, or had any contact from the alleged landowner or the local authorities. The residents had filed a complaint at the Prosecutor's Office in relation to the threats of 14 May. The residents are not aware of any developments in the case.

Although the families living in Camp Mormon have not received further threats of forced evictions, they still live in fear that they could be forcibly evicted at any time. They are among the approximately 400,000 people who are still living in makeshift camps over two-and-a-half years after the devastating earthquake of January 2010. In common with residents of other makeshift camps, the families in Camp Mormon live in improvised shelters, with poor sanitary conditions and no running water.

The families wish to leave the land they are currently occupying but any relocation process must respect their rights to adequate housing and not to be subjected to forced evictions. Amnesty International reiterates its calls for the families of Camp Mormon to be provided with a durable solution to their housing needs.

Amnesty International will be monitoring the situation closely, and will take further action as appropriate.

No further action is requested at this time from the UA network. Many thanks to all who sent appeals.

This is the first update of UA 144/12. Further information: <http://www.amnesty.org/en/library/info/AMR36/004/2012/en>

Name: Three hundred families in Camp Mormon

Gender: Both, mostly women.

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