

PLEASE GUARANTEE JUSTICE AND PROTECTION FOR AMAZONIAN WOMEN

Dear Attorney General Salazar,

Amnesty International is a global movement of more than 7 million people who work together to promote and defend human rights. Our vision is a world in which all people enjoy all human rights enshrined in the Universal Declaration of Human Rights and other international norms. We are independent from any government, political ideology, economic interest and religious belief.

Throughout 2018, Amnesty International registered a series of attacks and threats in Ecuador against human rights defenders Patricia Gualinga, Nema Grefa, Salomé Aranda and Margoth Escobar, members of the Amazonian Women collective.

All four women environmental rights defenders filed criminal complaints. Yet the Attorney General's Office has failed to properly investigate or to grant adequate protection measures. This has forced the women defenders to risk their lives and that of their families in order to continue carrying out their legitimate, important work.

As Attorney General of Ecuador, the power and responsibility to end this situation are in your hands.

For these reasons, we call you to:

- Advance independent, impartial, exhaustive investigations into the attacks and threats against Patricia Gualinga, Nema Grefa, Salomé Aranda and Margoth Escobar, ensuring that the perpetrators and the masterminds are brought to justice.
- Ensure the implementation of effective protection measures that comply with the wishes of the women.
- Design and implement an Investigation Protocol for Crimes against Human Rights Defenders, in order to strengthen the coordination between mechanisms and authorities in charge of criminal investigation.

Yours sincerely,

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