

Three more Colombian Indigenous leaders murdered



Bogota, June 11 (RHC)-- Three more Indigenous leaders from Colombia's Awa community were killed in different sectors of the municipalities of Barbacoas and Tumaco over the past several days.

The leaders were receiving threats via WhatsApp while commemorating the 29th anniversary of the creation of the Indigenous Unity of the Awa People (Unipa). During the celebration, a general assembly was held on June 4th and 5th. A spokesperson of the Awa people said one of the counselors got a text message from a criminal group known as Oliver Sinisterra threatening the lives of the social leaders.

A statement from the Indigenous Unity of the Awa People (Unipa) stated: "Already there are more than 73 leaders who have been threatened with death or extreme risk to their lives, adding to the 29 murders between August 2016 to date, demonstrating the genocide we have been subjected to."

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