

# *Mexican Government Rejects Army's Link to Iguala Case*

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Mexico City, January 16 (RHC-PL) -- Interior Minister Miguel Angel Osorio rejected that elements of the armed forces are linked in the missing of Mexican students, local media reported Thursday. At a news conference held Wednesday, after the security meeting in the northeastern region, Osorio stated that there is an interest in generating ignorance or wanting to involve the Army and the federal forces with the Iguala events.

During the September 26th violent events, local police killed six civilians and delivered 43 students from Ayotzinapa to the Guerreros Unidos criminal group.

Osorio said that the Defense Secretariat invited the National Human Rights Commission to tour the headquarters of the 27 Infantry Battalion of Iguala, state of Guerrero, and search for the missing students.

The Mexican army has agreed to the request of the relatives of those missing students from Ayotzinapa, opening the barracks so the search extends to military facilities, as long as the searches are peaceful and carried out with respect of their institutions.



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