

Father of Ayotzinapa Victim Asks UN Rapporteur to Visit Mexico



Mexico City, May 17 (RHC-teleSUR)--Antonio Tizapa, father of one of the 43 forcibly disappeared Mexican students, made an impassioned plea Monday during the U.N. Indigenous Forum, asking the United Nations Special Rapporteur for Indigenous People Victoria Tauli Corpuz to visit his country and for the Mexican government to facilitate her visit.

"We hope for her to assess the repression the Mexican government makes towards students and Indigenous people, and that the international community be made aware of the true nature of the Mexican government towards us as Indigenous people," said Tizapa after the rapporteur addressed the attendees of the event that began May 9th and will conclude May 20th.

Tizapa, the father of Jorge Antonio Tizapa Legideño, fought back the tears as he delivered his comments at the U.N. Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues in New York. "Nineteen months have passed without us knowing our children's whereabouts, 19 months searching for them, 19 months of us demanding justice," said the emotional Tizapa.

Jorge Antonio Tizapa pinned the blame for the forced disappearance of the 43 students from the Ayotzinapa teachers' college squarely on the Mexican government and added the families were requesting "international assistance and monitoring" due to their mistrust of the government.

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