



*Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women*

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Excellency,

In my capacity as Rapporteur on follow-up to concluding observations of the Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women (CEDAW), I have the honor to refer to the examination of the combined seventh to tenth periodic reports of Nicaragua, at the Committee's eighty-sixth session, held in October 2023. At the end of that session, the Committee's concluding observations ([CEDAW/C/NIC/CO/7-10](#)) were transmitted to your Permanent Mission. You may recall that in paragraph 61 on follow-up to the concluding observations, the Committee requested Nicaragua to provide, within two years, written information on the steps taken to implement the recommendations contained in paragraphs 12 (b), (d) and (e) and 40 (d) of the concluding observations, namely:

12 (b): "Recalling the United Nations Basic Principles and Guidelines on Remedies and Procedures on the Right of Anyone Deprived of Their Liberty to Bring Proceedings Before a Court ([A/HRC/30/37](#), annex), the recommendations to Nicaragua issued by the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights in his reports to the Human Rights Council in August 2023 ([A/HRC/54/60](#), para. 79) and September 2022 ([A/HRC/51/42](#), para. 81) and the recommendations of the Group of Human Rights Experts on Nicaragua in its report to the Council in March 2023 ([A/HRC/52/63](#), para. 126), the Committee calls upon the State party [...] to adopt an action plan to protect the life and integrity of women human rights defenders; ensure that they have access to effective remedies, including reparation, rehabilitation and compensation; and investigate, prosecute and adequately sentence perpetrators of acts of intimidation, threat and harassment and reprisals and aggressions against women human rights defenders, including when they are State agents."

12 (d): "[...] To immediately release women human rights defenders and other women activists who are detained on the basis of their dissenting political views and participation in political and public life; ensure that their right to life, liberty and physical and psychological integrity are safeguarded during detention and following release; authorize visits by family members in accordance with the United Nations Rules for the Treatment of Women Prisoners and Non-custodial Measures for Women Offenders (the Bangkok Rules), adopted by the General Assembly in its resolution [65/229](#) of 21 December 2010; ensure that women detainees have effective access to legal assistance from the moment of deprivation of liberty and throughout all phases of criminal proceedings and independent judicial review of the lawfulness of their detention."

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12 (e): “[...] To ensure conditions, including property restitution, for the voluntary and safe return without fear of reprisals or attacks of women human rights defenders currently in exile and issue, without further delay, official travel documents to those who wish to initiate family reunification procedures.”

40 (d): “In the context of its general recommendation No. 24 (1999) on women and health and its statement on sexual and reproductive health and rights, adopted at its fifty-seventh session in 2014, the Committee recalls that unsafe abortion is a leading cause of maternal morbidity and mortality. The Committee reiterates its previous recommendations ([CEDAW/C/NIC/CO/6](#), para. 18) and recommends that the State party [...] conduct awareness-raising and education campaigns on sexual and reproductive health and rights to prevent early pregnancies, expand the coverage of affordable and, if necessary, free family planning services for women and adolescent girls and ensure that all women and adolescent girls have access to testing and treatment for HIV and sexually transmitted infections, as well as safe abortion and post-abortion services.”

Although the information sought by the Committee was due in November 2025, it has not been received to date. Accordingly, I would be grateful for clarification as to the current status of your Government’s response on the matters.

The Committee looks forward to pursuing the constructive dialogue it has started with the authorities of Nicaragua on the implementation of the Convention. In this context, the Committee seeks to receive your response to this reminder **within one month of the date of this correspondence**.

Please note that this response should be precise and should not exceed a maximum length of **3,150 words**, including footnotes. You may attach a limited number of annexes containing statistical data only which are not counted for the word limit. Please also send a **Word electronic version** of the information requested to the Secretariat of the Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women by email to [ohchr-cedaw@un.org](mailto:ohchr-cedaw@un.org).

Please accept, Excellency, the assurances of my highest consideration.

Yours sincerely,

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