



MINISTERIO
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RELACIONES EXTERIORES

Managua, Nicaragua

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**TO THE UNITED NATIONS HIGH COMMISSIONER
FOR HUMAN RIGHTS, DOCTOR MICHELLE BACHELET
JERIA**

We greet you on the occasion of referring to Human Rights violations committed by the Government of Costa Rica against Nicaraguan citizens.

On Monday, August 12, 2019 at 11:22 p.m. in the area known as Parcelas de Villa

Hermosa, two kilometers from the border with Nicaragua, Niño River, Upala sector, Alajuela Province, Costa Rica, Fourteen (14) members of the Costa Rican Public Force, in excessive use of force and improper use of firearms, mortally wounded Nicaraguan citizen Henry Ruiz López, of 45 years of age, with citizen's identity card number 568-160374-0000F, without any justification, in view of the fact that he was not carrying firearms, did not present resistance and did not represent any threat or danger to the lives or physical integrity of the Officials of the Costa Rican Public Force or any other person; likewise, they deliberately failed to provide humanitarian assistance allowing him to bleed to death in the place. In addition, they violently captured five Nicaraguan citizens; Elmer Ruiz Ramos, Henry

Ruiz Ramos, Francisco Ramón García, Francisco Javier Ramos Cárdenas and a minor of initials K.Y.R.R.

Given these serious violations of the Human Rights of a Nicaraguan citizen, whom was killed by the authorities of the Costa Rican Public Force and as the Costa Rican Government has not responded to Note MRE/DM-AMM / 1245/8/2019, which the Government of Nicaragua transmitted on Wednesday, August 14 and which is attached, we are denouncing that Government for crimes against humanity, and we request that You, in acting as High Commissioner for Human Rights, issue a public appeal urging the Government of Costa Rica to carry out the corresponding investigations and punish those responsible for these crimes, requiring that this Government also provide

a report on human rights violations and the necessary and urgent measures required so that these types of violations are not repeated in the future.



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