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THE INTER-AMERICAN COURT OF HUMAN RIGHTS WILL VISIT GUATEMALA TO HOLD ITS 176TH REGULAR SESSION

San José, Costa Rica, mayo 6 de 2025. – La Corte Interamericana de Derechos San José, Costa Rica, May 6, 2025. The Inter-American Court of Human Rights will visit Guatemala from May 19 to 23, 2025, to hold its 176th regular session. Then, from May 26 to 30, the Court will sit virtually in order to deliberate on its decisions.

During the session in Guatemala, the Court will hold an international seminar, three public hearings on contentious cases, and five private hearings on monitoring compliance with judgment in cases involving the host country.

The different activities will take place in the Palacio Nacional de la Cultura and in the auditorium of the Universidad Rafael Landívar. The program and other information on the activities is available at the following link: bit.ly/176POS-Gt

I. Inauguration of the 176th regular session

On Monday, May 19, at 9 a.m. (Guatemalan time), the ceremony to inaugurate the 176th regular session will be held in the Palacio Nacional de la Cultura. The event will be livestreamed over the Court's social networks.

II. International seminar

The same day, at 2.30 p.m. (Guatemalan time), the international seminar "Case law of the Inter-American Court of Human Rights, its impact, and control of conventionality" will be held in the auditorium of the Universidad Rafael Landívar. Judges of the Court and experts in human rights and international law will take part in the seminar.

The seminar is open to the public who should consult the program and, if they intend to assist in person, register [here](#). The seminar will be livestreamed over the Court's social networks. It is **not** necessary to register in order to follow the seminar over the internet.

At the start of the seminar, the award will be presented to the author of one of the winning photographs in the competition *Enfocando derechos: un viaje fotográfico con la Corte IDH* [Bringing rights into focus: a photographic journey with the Inter-American Court], who participated as part of the organization, Lawyers Without Borders, Guatemala.

III. Public hearings

Public hearings will be held in the following contentious cases:

a) Case of the Salango Community v. Ecuador

The public hearing will take place on Tuesday, May 20, starting at 9 a.m. (Guatemalan time), in the auditorium of the Universidad Rafael Landívar. Those intending to attend the hearing in person may register [here](#). Also, the livestream of the hearing can be following over the Court's social networks without the need to register.

Read the order calling for the hearing [here](#).

b) Case of the Cayos Cochinos Garifuna Community and its members v. Honduras

The public hearing will take place on Wednesday May 21, starting at 9 a.m. (Guatemalan time), in the auditorium of the Universidad Rafael Landívar. Those intending to attend the hearing in person may register [here](#). Also, the livestream of the hearing can be following over the Court's social networks without the need to register.

Read the order calling for the hearing [here](#).

c) Case of Ramos Durand et al. v. Peru¹

The public hearing will take place on Thursday, May 22, starting at 9 a.m. (Guatemalan time), in the auditorium of the Universidad Rafael Landívar. Those intending to attend the hearing in person may register [here](#). Also, the livestream of the hearing can be following over the Court's social networks without the need to register

Read the order calling for the hearing [here](#).

IV. Monitoring compliance with judgment²

The Inter-American Court will also hold private hearings on monitoring compliance with judgment in the following cases:

- a. Case of Rodríguez Revolorio *et al.* v. Guatemala
- b. Case of Chinchilla Sandoval *et al.* v. Guatemala
- c. Case of Former Employees of the Judiciary v. Guatemala
- d. Case of Cuscul Pivaral *et al.* v. Guatemala
- e. Case of the Maya Kaqchikel Indigenous Peoples of Sumpango *et al.* v. Guatemala

V. Official meetings

The Inter-American Court will carry out various official meetings and they will be publicized during the session.

¹ Judge Alberto Borea Odría, a Peruvian national, will not take part in the public hearing of this case, pursuant to Article 19 of the Court's Rule of Procedure.

² The measures taken by the Unit for Monitoring Compliance with Judgment during this session are implemented with the support of the Spanish Agency for International Development Cooperation (AECID).

The composition of the Court for this session is: Judge Nancy Hernández López, President (Costa Rica); Judge Rodrigo Mudrovitsch, Vice President (Brazil); Ricardo C. Pérez Manrique (Uruguay); Judge Verónica Gómez (Argentina); Judge Patricia Pérez Goldberg (Chile); Judge Alberto Borea Odría (Peru) and Judge Diego Moreno Rodríguez (Paraguay).

During the session, some matters will be heard by the previous composition of the Court, pursuant to Article 5(3) of the Court's Statute, and Article 17 of its Rules of Procedure.

The Court wishes to express its gratitude for cooperation from Sweden (SIDA), Spain (AECID), and Germany (BMZ/GIZ). The support of these countries was essential to hold this regular session in Guatemala.

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