Dear {{FirstName or 'WOLA Supporter'}},

This has been a tumultuous year for human rights, with authoritarianism expanding like a virus and civil society organizations showing utter determination to fight it.

The end of 2022 is as eventful as its beginning. Among the issues we have been looking at are the many questions regarding the future of Title 42, a pandemic-era policy that has prevented hundreds of thousands of protection-seeking migrants from accessing asylum. You can lean more about why this policy needs to end here.

Also this week, WOLA's Senior Fellow, Dr. Jo-Marie Burt, answers questions about Peru's institutional crisis in this podcast.

Finally, learn more about the challenges facing President Xiomana Castro as she nears her first year in office in Honduras.

I also want to take this opportunity to thank you for your support, without which our work to protect and promote human rights would not be possible. We wish you the best for this holiday season. WOLA Weekly will be back on January 6.

Best, Carolina

Carolina Jiménez Sandoval, WOLA President

WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW

- 🇺🇸 While many questions remain about the future of Title 42, what is clear is that what happens in the coming days and weeks is likely to set precedents with lasting consequences for the right, enshrined in U.S. law more than 40 years ago, to seek asylum at the U.S.-Mexico border. Here are five reasons why Title 42 must end.

- 🇭🇳 President Xiomara Castro took office in Honduras nearly a year ago, promising to put the country on the road towards becoming a fully democratic state, capable of promoting the fight against violence and corruption while guaranteeing respect for human rights. Read this

opinion piece by Carolina Jiménez Sandoval to learn how things have gone.

- 🇻🇪 WOLA joined partner organizations in celebrating the formal resumption of negotiations between representatives of the government of Nicolás Maduro and the opposition coalition of the Unitary Platform in Venezuela. The organizations also urged the parties and the international community to prioritize agreements that guarantee compliance with human rights in this negotiation process. Read the statement here.

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WOLA's Director for the Andes Gimena Sánchez-Garzoli took part in a discussion with some of the experts who participated in the First Session of the Permanent Forum of Afro-Descendants at the United Nations.

READ THE ARTICLE

🎧 PODCAST

A deeply divided country with the world's highest COVID-19 death rate, Peru has suffered a series of political crises and it is now governed by its 17th president in less than seven years.
In this podcast, WOLA Senior Fellow Jo-Marie Burt explains how Peru got here.

WOLA Border Oversight

Advocacy for Human Rights in the Americas | Monitoring Conduct and Accountability in U.S. Border Law Enforcement

In April 2022, WOLA launched its one-of-kind Border Oversight Database, which documents hundreds of reports of human rights violations and abuses against migrants and asylum seekers at the U.S.-Mexico border.

WOLA IN THE NEWS

Carolina Jiménez Sandoval
President

Title 42 “has exacerbated an existing humanitarian crisis pointing to families traveling with children and a lack of shelters.“

Reuters

JOB OPENINGS

WOLA seeks an **Assistant Director for Institutional Partnerships** to join our fast-paced and dynamic development team. This creative team works to increase and expand the philanthropic partnerships that make WOLA’s human rights advocacy possible. Learn more **here**.

WOLA seeks a **Development Assistant** to support our development team. They should be interested in learning more about development and fundraising and thrive with multitasking. Learn more **here**.

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