

# WOLA WEEKLY

The Latest on Latin America

November 18, 2022

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

This week, a federal judge finally struck down the controversial Trump-era Title 42, which prevented many migrants from seeking asylum in the United States. The Biden Administration now has until December 21 to put a plan in place to address the likely influx of protection-seeking migrants at the U.S. southern border. In this [analysis](#), Adam Isacson, Director for Defense Oversight, and I look back at the impact Title 42 has had and the challenges ahead.

Also this week, we bring you the [main takeaways](#) of how the U.S. midterm elections will impact Latin America, and details of a [resolution](#) introduced in the House of Representatives challenging the U.S. government to take more decisive steps to tackle corruption and impunity in Guatemala.


Finally, check out an [animation](#) we produced, in Spanish, alongside an organization of relatives of imprisoned individuals on the negative impact of incarceration policies and practices beyond the walls of prisons.


We hope you enjoy this WOLA Weekly. Please note we will not be issuing a newsletter next week. We will be back on Friday, December 2.


Maureen Meyer  
Vice President for Programs, WOLA




## WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW


 A U.S. federal judge finally struck down the controversial Trump-era Title 42, which prevented many migrants from seeking asylum in the United States. Read this [analysis](#) to learn more about what this means.

 The U.S. midterm elections are likely to have important implications for the country's foreign policy for the coming years. Three of WOLA's senior experts reflect on the new political challenges Congress will face and how its new configuration will impact relations between the Biden administration and Latin America. Learn more [here](#).

 U.S. civil society organizations welcomed the House Resolution on Guatemala introduced on November 16 by Representatives Norma Torres, Albio Sires, Chuy Garcia, Jim McGovern, and Joaquin Castro. The Resolution urges the U.S. government to take more decisive steps to tackle corruption and impunity in the Central American country. Learn more [here](#).

 On Tuesday, Miguél Ángel Gálvez resigned as the Guatemalan High-Risk Judge and announced his exile. Corrupt officials and war criminals are ready to stop at nothing in their efforts to promote impunity in the Central American country. Read the commentary [here](#).

## UPCOMING EVENTS

 WOLA's President [Carolina Jiménez Sandoval](#) will be participating in [Transparency International's](#) International Anti-Corruption Conference #IACC2022 taking place in

**CAROLINA  
JIMENEZ SANDOVAL**

#IACC2022


President, Washington Office on  
Latin America (WOLA)

6-10 December

**IACC**  
INTERNATIONAL  
ANTI-CORRUPTION  
CONFERENCE



## ALSO THIS WEEK

 WOLA, Robert F. Kennedy Human Rights, and Foro Penal are pleased to invite you to the premiere of the documentary **"In the Key of Justice: Human Rights and Music in Venezuela."** This film presents an emotional musical journey across Venezuela where Foro Penal lawyers and musicians spread the message of justice and human rights. After the film, there will be a panel of special guests and a music performance by Alfredo Romero.

 Sunday, November 20, 2022

 4:00 p.m. ET

 Gala Hispanic Theater - 3333 14th St, NW, Washington, DC 20010

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## WOLA IN THE NEWS



**Jo-Marie Burt**  
Senior Fellow

*"The defendants [of the Death Squad Dossier] include very powerful people who'll unleash whatever is in their power to prevent the trial from going forward."*

The New York Review ["The Death Squad Dossier"](#)



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**The Spring 2023 Internship is now open for applications!** It will be hybrid, meaning all interns are expected to come into the office at least half of the time they work. WOLA will follow all public health guidance and revert back to full remote if needed at any time. Interns that would like to be considered for a virtual internship should specifically request so in their cover letters. **Application Deadline:** November 30, 2022. We will look at resumes on a rolling basis. Click [here](#) to learn more.



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