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

Every year, on December 10, the world celebrates Human Rights Day, marking the day in 1948 when the United Nations General Assembly adopted the Universal Declaration of Human Rights (UDHR), and changed history forever.

The UDHR, which served as the basis for scores of international and regional treaties and national legislation, includes a wide range of protections, including freedom of movement and the right of association and assembly.

It is regrettable that on the week when we are celebrating this important milestone for human rights, in Honduras, President Xiomara Castro declared a state of emergency that suspends a number of rights guaranteed in the constitution, claiming it was necessary to fight growing insecurity in the country. Learn more about why these measures put human rights at risk in this [article](#).

Also this week, check-out an [interview](#) where I look back on the human rights highs and lows in 2022 and our latest [podcast](#) from the U.S.-Mexico border.

Best,

Carolina Jiménez Sandoval
President

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**WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW**

- 📝 Read our recent interview with WOLA's president, Carolina Jiménez, as she discusses [A Year of Human Rights, and Wrongs](#).
- 🔴 This week WOLA published a [press release](#) highlighting human rights concerns as Honduras' state of emergency went into effect on December 6th.
- 🔴 On December 8th, WOLA signed on to a [joint statement](#) advocating for long-term solutions to strengthen democracy and restore the balance of power in Peru.
- 🇨🇴 Read WOLA's follow-up [open letter](#) to Colombia's Defense Minister Iván Velásquez, after a meeting that took place on November 28, 2022 between WOLA and Velásquez, to discuss ongoing concerns regarding the human rights situation in the country.
• Listen to this week's podcast as WOLA staff recount and report on their recent trip to the U.S.-Mexico border.

**IN CASE YOU MISSED IT**

![Podcast Image]

♫ Check out last week's “Perspectives on the Civil Society Consultation in the Venezuela Negotiations” virtual forum.

**LEARN MORE**

![Border Oversight Database Image]

In April of 2022, WOLA launched its one-of-a-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**

As a panelist for the International Anti-Corruption Conference this year, Carolina said "In Latin America, defending human rights, working against corruption, has become increasingly more difficult, more challenging, and more dangerous."

- 2022 International Anti-Corruption Conference (IACC)
JOB OPENINGS

WOLA seeks an **Editorial Director** to develop and produce our public-facing content. They should aim for innovation and keep up with today’s rapidly changing world of communications. Learn more [here](#).

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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