



WOLA WEEKLY

The Latest on Latin America

Friday, October 14, 2022

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

This week, we delve into the latest migration trends in the region – as the Biden administration [announced plans](#) for a humanitarian parole program for some Venezuelan protection-seeking migrants while at the same time confirming it will continue to expel hundreds to Mexico under the Title 42 order.

That is not the only problem with the way the U.S. deals with migration. Join us on Tuesday, October 18 for a [hard-hitting discussion](#) with top experts on the need for more accountability for border patrol agents responsible for human rights abuses.

Also this week, check out our [open letter](#) to U.S. Secretary of State Antony Blinken and Mexican Secretary of Foreign Affairs Marcelo Ebrard. In the letter, we share observations and recommendations on improving public security and protecting human rights in Mexico.



Warm regards,



Adam Isacson,
Director for Defense Oversight



WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW

-  WOLA joined over 10 U.S. and Mexican civil society organizations in an [open letter](#) ahead of the U.S.-Mexico High-Level Security Dialogue on October 13, 2022. In the letter, the organizations share observations and recommendations on improving public security and protecting human rights in line with the most promising commitments of the U.S.-Mexico [Bicentennial Framework](#).
-  WOLA's Senior Fellow [Jo-Marie Burt](#) participated in an event commemorating the life of long time peruvian human rights defender Francisco "Pacho" Soberón, who played a mayor role in

the prosecution and extradition of Alberto Fujimori. You can watch the full event [here](#).

JOIN US NEXT WEEK

ABUSE, ACCOUNTABILITY, AND ORGANIZATIONAL CULTURE AT U.S. BORDER LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES

**OCTOBER 18, 2022
1:00pm EDT**

SPEAKERS

- Sarah Turberville
Director of the Constitution Project at the Project on Government Oversight (POGO), Washington DC.
- Zoe Martens
Advocacy coordinator at the Kino Border Initiative (KBI), Nogales, AZ/Sonora.
- Jennifer Johnson
Border policy advisor to the Southern Border Communities Coalition (SBCC) and Church World Service, Washington DC.
- Shaw Drake
Senior policy counsel on border and immigration at the American Civil Liberties Union (ACLU), El Paso, TX.


MODERATOR

- Adam Isacson
Director for Defense Oversight at WOLA and creator of WOLA's abuse-monitoring database.


RSVP: bit.ly/WebinarRegistrationWOLA
* The presentation will be virtual and in English.

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Advocacy for Human Rights in the Americas

A virtual discussion hosted by WOLA. **Register [here](#).**

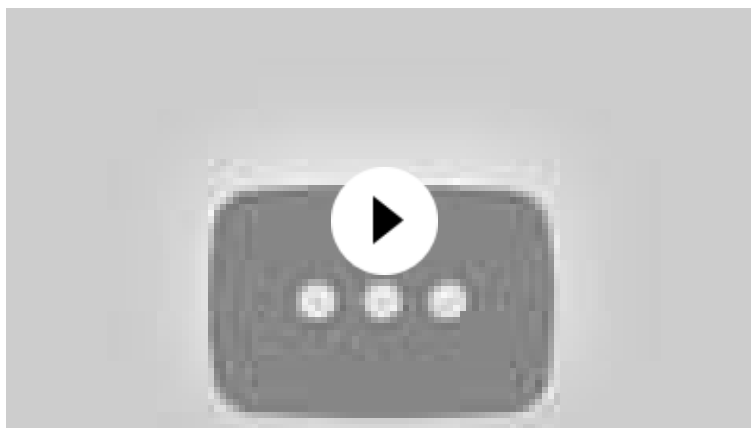
 You can also join us in the upcoming presentation of Socorro Ramírez and Ligia Bolívar's new book "*Colombia-Venezuela: Balances y retos*" that analyzes human rights at the Colombia-Venezuela border.

 October 18, 2022

 2:30 PM – 4:00 PM EST

Register [here](#).

ICYMI: UNDERSTANDING COLOMBIA'S CONFLICT THROUGH THE LENS OF JESÚS ABAD COLORADO



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WOLA IN THE NEWS

“The end of DACA puts dreamers in a limbo again in terms of their legal future in the country and blocks millions of people from qualifying for the program.”

[Maureen Meyer](#), Vice President for Programs at WOLA [tells DW](#).

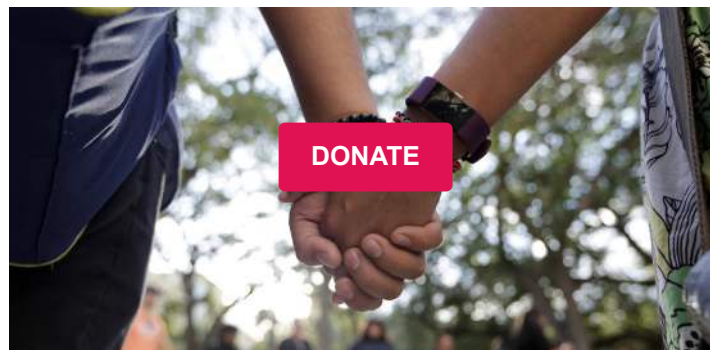


JOB OPENINGS

WOLA seeks an assistant to support two programs; **Cuba and Drug Policy!** They will provide administrative support to the Directors and their programs with event planning, booking travel, clerical duties, database management, webinars and in-person meeting support, and other logistical support. Click [here](#) to learn more.

SUPPORT WOLA

It's not too late to make a gift in honor of the work of all of our honorees at this year's [2022 WOLA Human Rights Awards and Benefit Gala](#). As you've read, each one of them faces tremendous odds and opposition to their fight for justice and equality. We know that you value their work, so what better way to salute their perseverance with a donation to WOLA in their honor? We thank you in advance for your generosity.



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