

I am writing to express my deep concern about Maxima Acuna and her family who have reported being repeatedly threatened and harassed by police.

I think that the police must protect Maxima Acuna and her family from violence and intimidation and must respect their human rights at all times, whatever the outcome of the land dispute.

I urge you to ensure that Maxima Acuna and her family are kept safe and are not forcibly evicted, and order a thorough and impartial investigation into the attacks and harassment and bring those responsible to justice.

I call on you to make all efforts to find an acceptable solution to this dispute, taking into account the vulnerability of the family and the need to protect them from destitution;

I point you that any eviction should only be carried out after all international legal and procedural safeguards have been applied, including genuine consultation, adequate notice, serious consideration of all feasible alternatives to evictions. And I urge you to ensure that nobody is left homeless or vulnerable to other human rights violation as a result of the eviction.

Thank you very much for your attention.

Sincerely yours,