

I am writing to express my concern for the safety of Juan Pablo Gutiérrez and other members of ONIC and CRIC.

I would like to urge the authorities to immediately provide effective protection for them in accordance with their wishes and reminding them to fulfil their obligation to protect human rights defenders, as set out in the 1998 UN Declaration on Human Rights Defenders.

Lastly, I would like to call on the authorities to order a full and impartial investigation into the death threat and harassment against Juan Pablo Gutiérrez and members of ONIC and CRIC, publish the results and bring those responsible to justice.

Respectfully yours,