

I am writing this letter to express my grave concern for Santiago Maldonado, who has been missing since the government military force have raided the Mapuche community Pu Lof en Resistencia, in the department of Cushamen, in Chubut province, Argentina on 1 August 2017. He was last seen on that day, while fleeing from the officers. No information has been provided by the authorities on Santiago Maldonado's whereabouts or the measures they have taken to find him despite of the community's formal requests.

I urge you to urgently adopt all the necessary measures to find Santiago Maldonado.

I also call on you to carry out a full and impartial investigation into the events perpetrated on 1 August in the community of Pu Lof en Resistencia, to make the results public, and to bring those responsible for human rights violations to justice.

In addition, I urge you to implement any measures necessary in order to guarantee the physical integrity of the Mapuche community Pu Lof en Resistencia, with their full participation.

A definitive solution to the territorial claim of the Lof Cushamen community of the Mapuche people must be reached.

Your attention on this matter would be highly appreciated.

Sincerely,