

I am writing this to express my grave concern on Karina Riquelme, lawyer, who have been repeatedly followed and intimidated by Chilean police intelligence agents several times because of her work as a defender of Mapuche Indigenous people rights. She fears for her personal security and feels intimidated.

I should urge the Chilean authorities to ensure that Karina Riquelme can freely and safely carry out her work as a lawyer and a defender of the Mapuche Indigenous People, in consultation with her and in accordance with her wishes and consent. The police and the Public Prosecutor's Office should not interfere with the free exercise of legal activities as per the Supreme Court decision 7641-2016.

Your attention on this matter would be highly appreciated.

Sincerely,