URGENT ACTION

LAWYER AT RISK GRANTED PROTECTION MEASURES

Chilean human rights defender and lawyer Karina Riquelme is no longer considered under imminent threat. The Supreme Court of Justice of Chile ordered protection measures for her on 25 September 2018.

Chilean lawyer Karina Riquelme reported on 9 and 10 July as well as on 31 August surveillance and intimidation by men who were later identified as police intelligence agents. An appeal for legal protection, to ensure protection measures were put in place for Karina Riquelme, was filed but was denied on 14 September by the Appeal Court in Temuco. The appeal was then filed before the Chilean Supreme Court of Justice. On 25 September the Supreme Court eventually overruled the Appeal Court’s decision, stating that the Chilean police intelligence must adopt measures to prevent the recurrence of acts that may threaten the individual security and the free exercise of the profession of lawyer, as the one denounced by Karina Riquelme.

Amnesty International will monitor Karina Riquelme’s situation. **Many thanks to all who sent appeals. No further action is requested from the UA network.**

This is the second update of UA 134/18. Further information: https://www.amnesty.org/en/documents/amr22/8791/2018/en/ and https://www.amnesty.org/en/documents/amr22/9135/2018/en/

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