Date: 9 June 2020

URGENT ACTION

ATTACKS AGAINST INDIGENOUS COMMUNITIES INVESTIGATED

On 27 May, the Public Prosecutor's Office in Villavicencio (Central Colombia) sent four people from its Technical Investigation Body to the ASEINPOME community to investigate the threats the community has experienced. This visit was ordered by the prosecutor's office in charge of finding those responsible for the different security incidents the community has faced.

NO FURTHER ACTION IS REQUESTED. MANY THANKS TO ALL WHO SENT APPEALS.

Since the COVID-19 lockdown started in Colombia, the indigenous community of ASEINPOME faced at least 2 security incidents. On 24 April, at around 11 am an unknown individual entered the indigenous community of ASEIMPOME, in the Meta Region (Central Colombia). When the indigenous guard was warned, the unknown person set on fire one house. Two weeks before this security incident, unknown people were seen driving two high cylinder motorcycles were around the community.

Following national and international pressure, including the appeals from Amnesty International' supporters, on 27 May, the Technical Investigation Body of the Villavicencio Public Prosecutor's Office visited the community of ASEINPOME with the intention to identify the attackers and stop them from further threatening the indigenous community.

We will be in close contact with the indigenous community to assess their security situation and will swiftly react if there is a new security incident.

NAME AND PRONOUN: Indigenous community ASEIMPOME (They, them)

THIS IS THE SECOND AND FINAL OUTPUT FOR UA 70/20

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