URGENT ACTION

INDIGENOUS LEADER'S RELATIVES STILL DISAPPEARED

On May 31, 2026, six relatives of the Indigenous Miskitu Leader Brooklyn Rivera had disappeared in Managua after traveling to claim his remains following the government's confirmation of his death. To date, relatives of the disappeared referred all efforts to find them had been unsuccessful and had not received any official information regarding their fate, whereabouts, or legal status. We call on the Nicaraguan authorities to immediately disclose their whereabouts and ensure their immediate release.

TAKE ACTION:

- Write a letter to the government official(s) listed. Use the sample letter below as a guide or use your own words.
- Click here to report your action(s) on ***Second UA 77.26***. We share this number with the officials we are trying to persuade.

Minister of the Interior
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Send a copy of your letter to the address below

CC: Permanent Mission of Nicaragua to the UN
Permanent Nicaraguan Representative to the UN
820 Second Avenue, 8th Floor,
New York, N.Y. 10017
Email: nicaragua@un.int

Dear Minister María Amelia Coronel Kinloch,

I am writing to express my deep concern regarding the enforced disappearance of six relatives, and members of the community, of Indigenous Miskitu leader, **Brooklyn Rivera**. It is extremely worrying that their loved ones have not received any news regarding their whereabouts to date.

Following the announcement of Rivera's death while in state custody, his relatives traveled to Managua to seek information about his remains and to recover them so they could lay him to rest in accordance with Miskitu traditions. Shortly afterwards, **Jorge Webster Rojas**, **Alda López Bryan**, **Jourbes Escobar López**, **Korny Valle Bushey**, **Florencia Sarmiento Alejandro**, and **Glenis Criesa Pantin Coleman** reportedly disappeared. Since then, their relatives have been unable to obtain information about their whereabouts, legal status, or physical condition.

The authorities' failure to disclose their fate and whereabouts places them at grave risk of torture, other ill treatment, and other serious human rights violations. Their families continue to endure profound anguish as they search for answers.

I urge you to immediately disclose the fate and whereabouts of the six people, provide proof of their life, guarantee their safety, and ensure their immediate release. I trust your commitment to justice and human rights will guide your actions to urgently address these serious concerns.

Yours sincerely,

AMNESTY INTERNATIONAL

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Brooklyn Rivera was a Miskitu Indigenous leader, former member of Nicaragua's National Assembly, and prisoner of conscience who was arbitrarily detained by September 2023. For much of his detention, authorities failed to disclose his whereabouts and denied him regular access to his family and trusted legal counsel. On May 28, 2026, Nicaraguan authorities released images and information indicating that he was hospitalized in critical condition, suffering from severe health complications after more than two years in detention. On May 31, 2026, authorities announced his death while in state custody.

Following Brooklyn Rivera's announcement of death in state custody, **Jorge Webster Rojas**, **Alda López Bryan**, **Jourbes Escobar López**, **Korny Valle Bushey**, **Florencia Sarmiento Alejandro**, and **Glenis Criesa Pantin Coleman** have been disappeared after seeking information about his remains. Their whereabouts are to this date unknown, and authorities have failed to provide information to their relatives regarding their fate, legal status, or place of detention.

The disappearance of these six individuals occurred in the context of increasing repression in Nicaragua, where Amnesty International and other human rights organizations have documented arbitrary detention, incommunicado detention, persecution of government critics, and attacks against Indigenous leaders and defenders, among other human rights violations.

Under international human rights law, enforced disappearance places individuals outside the protection of the law and exposes them to heightened risks of torture, other ill-treatment, and unlawful death.

PREFERRED LANGUAGE TO ADDRESS TARGET: Spanish or your own language.

PLEASE TAKE ACTION AS SOON AS POSSIBLE UNTIL: June 20, 2027

NAME AND PREFFERED PRONOUN: Six People Forcibly Disappeared (they/them)

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