



Comisión Nacional de los Derechos Humanos

México

Recommendation 26/2011

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Matter: The case of the Triqui Indigenous Community of San Juan Copala, Santiago Juxtlahuaca, Oaxaca

Authority Responsible: Constitutional Governor of the free and sovereign state of Oaxaca/ Deputy Chairman of the Board of the LXI Congress Legislature of the State of Oaxaca

The National Commission of Human Rights has examined the contents of the case CNDH/4/2010/2761/Q and resulting case CNDH/5/2010/2256/Q relating to the events which took place in the community of San Juan Copala, in the municipality of Santiago Juxtlahuaca, Oaxaca. These reports detail the neglect of the state authorities of the many petitions for intervention directed to them by members of the community, such as those made by V5 to AR1, or V9 to AR2. On both occasions a police presence was requested in San Juan Copala, with the objective of bringing further security to the community. The situation did not improve however as aggressive acts continued, threatening the lives and the security of certain sectors of the community. As a result of the prevailing conditions within the community, members of various organizations supporting the defense of human rights carried out a humanitarian march protesting against the aggression. These people were then attacked by paramilitary groups, causing the loss of life of V1 and V2 and injuring many others. Therefore, the Law of the National Commission of Human Rights highlights a violation of human rights attributable to a State Public Servant, as recognized by Recommendation 26/2011.