OPEN LETTER TO THE PRESIDENT OF MEXICO

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Enrique Peña Nieto
President of Mexico
c/o Mexican Consulate General of Los Angeles
2401 W. 6th Street
Los Angeles, CA 90057

Dear Mr. President,

The terrible situation faced by thousands of indigenous Mexican Tzotzil in the state of Chiapas has been brought to our attention by our Director for Latin America, Mr. Ruben Arvizu. The photographs and videos that we have seen fill us with sadness for the suffering of children, the elderly, the sick, and people in general who are fleeing from the municipality of San Pedro Chenalhó, Chiapas, due to the attacks of armed groups that are robbing them of their lands and the inaction of the state and federal governments. It is painful to see the suffering of many indigenous communities of Mexico.

We respectfully ask you to find an immediate solution in the case of the indigenous chiapanecos and avoid an even greater catastrophe.

We request your urgent attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

David Krieger
President

cc: Mr. Ruben D. Arvizu
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