

**Congress of the United States**  
**Washington, DC 20515**

February 23, 2003

**Members' Meeting with Delegation Seeking Justice  
for Murdered Women of Ciudad Juárez and Chihuahua, Mexico**

Dear Colleague:

**I would like to invite you to attend a Members' meeting with a delegation of Mexican rights advocates seeking justice for the murdered women of Ciudad Juárez and Chihuahua, Mexico on Wednesday, February 25 at 4:30pm in 1416a Longworth House Office Building.**

The delegation includes representatives from Mexico's most prominent human rights and women's rights organizations working on this issue, as well as the mother of a young homicide victim whose case has not been solved. This meeting will provide a unique opportunity to hear directly from:

**Esther Chavez**, Casa Amiga Crisis Center, Ciudad Juárez

**Alma Gómez**, Justice for Our Daughters, Chihuahua City

**Adriana Carmona**, Mexican Commission for the Defense and Promotion of Human Rights, Mexico City

**Soledad Aguilar**, Return Our Daughters Home, Ciudad Juárez. Mrs. Aguilar is the mother of Cecilia Covarrubias, who went missing in Ciudad Juárez on November 14, 1995. Two days later, Cecilia's body, showing signs of sexual assault, was found on the outskirts of town. The young woman's baby, who was with her at the time she disappeared, also went missing and has not been seen since.

More than 370 unsolved murder cases of women and girls have occurred in Ciudad Juárez and Chihuahua, Mexico in the past decade. The speakers will discuss the problems of violence against women and impunity in Ciudad Juárez and Chihuahua, analyze Mexico's efforts to investigate and prevent the murders, particularly at the federal level, and offer suggestions about how the U.S. government can help end this tragedy.

I hope you will be able to attend this important meeting. One staff person will be permitted per Member. Please RSVP to Jenny Blau in my office at x5-5464.

Sincerely,



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Member of Congress



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Member of Congress



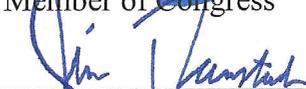
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