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Asociación de Cabildos Indígenas del Norte del Cauca (ACIN)
Consejo Regional Indígena del Cauca (CRIC)
 Cauca

Re: Condolences and Solidarity

It is with great sadness that we heard of the new reports of violence against the Nasa community, which cost the lives of the Indigenous leaders, Kevin Mestizo Coicué and Eugenio Tenorio, from the territory of San Francisco. The villagers Leonel Coicué, Sandra Milena Pacué, Edinson Eduardo Rivera, and Julio Taquinas Pilcué were also seriously injured in the same attack.

This attack adds to the total of more than 159 Indigenous Colombians who have been killed since the signing of the Peace Accord.

As the *Espacio de Cooperación para la Paz* (Space for International Cooperation for Peace), we convey a strong message. We stand in solidarity with the families of the victims and reinforce our commitment and willingness to support them in their actions, within the framework of our mandate. We call on the Colombian State to guarantee the safety of the Nasa Indigenous Peoples, and to recognise the legitimate work of ACIN and CRIC as human rights advocacy organisations, working for the protection of land and Indigenous territory.

Kind regards,

Espacio de Cooperación para la Paz

