



**RESOLUTION ON THE GRAVE SITUATION CREATED
BY THE REGIME OF DANIEL ORTEGA IN NICARAGUA**

For several years, the Centrist Democratic International (CDI-IDC) has been aware of the tiredness of the Nicaraguan people in the face of the systematic violation of human rights that has now been going on for generations; of the dismantling of the democratic system; of the end of the separation of the powers of the state; and of the lack of independence of the judicial system.

THEREFORE, IDC-CDI:

- 1. DEPLORES** the loss of hundreds of human lives, thousands of wounded, captured, tortured and disappeared as a result of severe reprisals by the government of Daniel Ortega, causing immense pain and suffering to thousands of families;
- 2. CONVEYS** its condolences to the families of the victims, and to the entire people of Nicaragua;
- 3. WELCOMES** the report of the Inter-American Commission on Human Rights of the Organization of American States (OAS) entitled “grave human rights violations in the context of social protests in Nicaragua”, submitted to the Permanent Council of the OAS on June 22th this year ; demands the implementation, by the government of Daniel Ortega, of its recommendations ; and calls on the High Commissioner for Human Rights of the United Nations and on the European Union to investigate these matters urgently;
- 4. ENDORSES** the National Dialogue as the appropriate mechanism for the resolution of this grave crisis and the role in this framework, with the agreement of both the government and the Civil Alliance for Justice and Democracy, of the Bishop’s Conference of the Catholic Church, as a mediator and witness;
- 5. SUPPORTS** the efforts undertaken by the OAS, under the leadership of its Secretary General, to contribute to identifying institutional democratic electoral channels, accepted by all sides, in order to restore democratic life in Nicaragua;
- 6. MANIFESTS** its alarm about the brutal acts of repression to thwart the will of the Nicaraguan people and about the steady drift toward dictatorship which has been going on for years under the regime of Daniel Ortega ; and seconds the many denunciations about the non-provision of medical assistance for the wounded who are coming to the hospitals, as well as the apprehensions carried out in the heat of the night, without any judicial order to raid private homes ;
- 7. DEMANDS** from the government of President Ortega to put a stop to these abuses and to never curtail the freedom of expression and sovereignty of the people and even less deprive it of any human, political and civil rights;
- 8. URGES** the International Community at large to demand the cessation of all repressive and hostile actions by the government; to promote ways to restore democratic and constitutional guarantees; to sanction the government for its actions; to promote the speedy establishment of an international group of on-the-spot observers and to denounce Daniel Ortega before the competent international organizations for crimes against humanity;
- 9. DEMANDS** a fitting response to the different democratic organizations of civil society, students, peasants, the Confederation of Employers, and the Church;
- 10. WE CALL** on the European institutions and, more specifically, on the High Representative of the European Union for External and Security Affairs, Mrs. Federica Mogherini, to undertake urgent actions leading to the reestablishment of civil order in the country; an end to the violence; and to the restitution of democracy, civil liberties and the rule of law by the regime of Ortega.