



Gobierno de Reconciliación  
y Unidad Nacional

*El Pueblo, Presidente!*

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**Aquí nos ilumina,  
un Sol que no declina  
El Sol que alumbra  
las nuevas victorias**  
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**REPLY OF THE STATE OF NICARAGUA (SPANISH AND ENGLISH)  
AFTER THE PRESENTATION OF THE WRITTEN REPORT**

Mr. President,

The State of Nicaragua reiterates its rejection of both Resolution 40/2 of the Human Rights Council and the report presented by the Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights, which is clearly biased against the People and Government of Nicaragua.

We reiterate that the methodology of substantiating assessments based on second and third-hand criteria, without proper verification, privileging information provided by media, social media and political organizations who are in clear opposition, does



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not allow to show the reality of a country that is building peace, development and well-being.

It is inconceivable that OACHNUDH officials maintain, as one of their main sources of information, the data provided by an NGO, whose own Directive Board denounced its Executive Director for inflating the numbers of dead, injured and detained in order to increase the amount of financial resources they received from abroad. Funds that the accusation also states that were embezzled. False, misrepresented and malicious data which continue to be widely used by various Human Rights organizations, as their main source.

On the other hand, the fact that OACHNUDH officials have not taken the time to review

basic data of Nicaraguan geography, to then sustain judgments based on those data, is another example of inconsistency, inaccuracy or open ill-intent.

To say that 120 thousand square kilometers of land have been titled, implies that it would have titled almost the entire national territory. It seems a simple mistake or overstatement, but the example denotes the absolute carelessness and professionalism with which officials should have done their job.

Further, the report is full of this type of errors and subjective assessments.

On the other hand, the conclusions and recommendations are intended to underpin profound transformations in the superstructure of the State and its legal functioning. It manifests

a tendency of direct interference in the internal affairs of the country when trying to subordinate the national institutions to the guardianship of international organizations, which violates the Independence, Sovereignty and Self-Determination of the Nicaraguan people, something that we are never willing to yield.

Mr. President,

The Government of Nicaragua maintains its commitment to continue working for National Unity, Reconciliation and Peace, deepening democratic, economic, social and cultural conquests and strengthening the indispensable conditions to continue successfully fighting the battle against poverty and inequality.

We will continue to fulfill the commitments that we have assumed with our People and with the International Community to continue on the path of progress and well-being, initiated just over a decade ago.

The Government of Reconciliation and National Unity of Nicaragua reiterates that it maintains close cooperation with the Universal Human Rights System, as well as with its mechanisms.

In the third cycle of our Universal Periodic Review, we present the advances of our young democracy in the field of social, political and economic rights, as we did in the previous two cycles.

Nicaragua has been recognized internationally as the safest country in the region, that has most rapidly reduced poverty and inequality,

with greater access to quality health and education, among the fastest growing countries, based on a multiannual average in the region, and one of the five countries with greater gender parity in the world.

This development process was interrupted by violent groups, that in April 2018 tried to alter the constitutional order to strip the people, once again, of the rights that we have been restoring

The Government of Reconciliation and National Unity will continue to consolidate peace and promote the welfare of Nicaraguan families.

Thank you so much.