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## Resolution of the Board of the Progressive Alliance on the Situation in Nicaragua

The political and humanitarian crisis in Nicaragua has worsened. The political repression of the dictatorship of Daniel Ortega, is indiscriminate and reaches any expression of opposition, including political and civil society leaders, human rights defenders, independent journalists and writers, as well as priests of the Catholic Church.

Since 2018, the Progressive Alliance and different actors of the international community, we have demanded the cessation of repression in Nicaragua, and supported the demand of democratic political forces, to hold free, transparent and inclusive elections. However, the Ortega regime has ignored these demands. Since the end of May, it has unleashed an unprecedented escalation of repression. This escalation has meant the kidnapping of a large part of the opposition leadership, including the opposition presidential precandidates, six national directors of the Unamos party, the mass exile of thousands, the annulment of any vestige of public liberties and of any possibility that the November 7 elections would be such. The electoral date has been reduced to a farce, the results of which already lack any legitimacy.

## The Progressive Alliance :

Denounces before the international community the dictatorship of Daniel de Ortega that has destroyed all democratic standards, violated all norms of coexistence and violated the Human Rights of Nicaraguans.

We call on the governments of the region, the Organization of American States (OAS), the European governments, the European Union and the General Secretariat of the United Nations to take the appropriate diplomatic and political actions in view of the magnitude of the drama that Nicaragua is experiencing. We call on them to pressure the Ortega regime to open the possibility of a democratic solution by holding free elections.



Calls on progressive parties and organizations to deploy their political support to achieve the cessation of torture of all political prisoners and their unconditional release, including the imprisoned leadership of UNAMOS, as well as for the safe return of political exiles.

Reiterates its solidarity with the people of Nicaragua and in particular with all democratic forces.

The people of Nicaragua have the right to democracy, justice and peace.