

**STATEMENT BY THE INTERNATIONAL
SECRETARIAT OF THE PARTY FOR DEMOCRACY
ON THE EVENTS TAKING PLACE IN NICARAGUA**

The International Secretariat of the Party for Democracy expresses its strongest condemnation and rejection of the decision of the Nicaraguan government of Daniel Ortega to deprive of their nationality about a hundred citizens of that country, social leaders and human rights activists who the Ortega-Murillo dictatorship has also taken away their political rights and declared traitors to the country and fugitives from justice.

Such an unjust, abusive and insane measure lacks any legal value as it comes from a government that lacks legitimacy, and as the Inter-American Commission on Human Rights has recalled, it violates fundamental principles of international law that enshrine the right to nationality and expressly establish a guarantee against its arbitrary deprivation.



The same international provisions that have been flagrantly violated by the Nicaraguan government also state that everyone has the non-derogable right to have a nationality and not to be stateless, to retain their nationality, not to be denied, lost or arbitrarily deprived of it.

This oppressive decision comes just a few days after the expulsion of around 220 people, who were also deprived of their nationality and were detained for political reasons due to the denunciations they have been expressing about the campaign that the government has been promoting since 2018 to annihilate political dissidence.



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From the International Secretariat of the Party for Democracy, we express our solidarity with the Nicaraguan democrats and with those who have been subjected to the measures of expulsion and deprivation of their nationality, and we call on the progressive world and democratic societies to join in this condemnation by strongly and firmly denouncing the anti-democratic practices of the Nicaraguan government and to demand that human rights and democratic norms be re-established in that country.

**The International Secretariat of the Party for
Democracy**

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