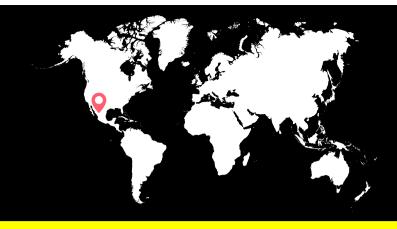
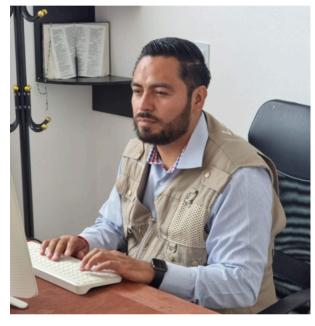
MEXICO: PROTECT JOURNALISTS AND ENSURE ALBERTO AMARO'S SECURITY



JOURNALIST UNDER ONGOING THREAT AND INTIMIDATION



Mexico is the Western Hemisphere's most dangerous country for journalists, according to extensive documentation by Center to Protect Journalist.

Since 2019, Alberto Amaro Jordan, a 35-year-old Mexican journalist, who in 2018 founded the digital outlet <u>La Prensa de Tlaxcala</u>, has been attacked,

threatened, and arrested by police officers and intimidated by members of organized crime groups.

Alberto Amaro has reported numerous failures in some of the protective measures granted to him by the federal Protection Mechanism.

People have photographed him, his wife and children, hacked his website and smeared his reputation in Facebook posts accusing him of being a criminal.

While out driving, aggressors have tried to block his passage and force him off the road, and a gunman aboard a motorbike has taken shots at him. Intruders have tried to break into his home, fired shots at his property, and fatally poisoned one of his pet dogs.

Alberto Amaro's security situation must be immediately reassessed, in consultation with him, and guarantees made that his existing protective measures are not withdrawn.

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