

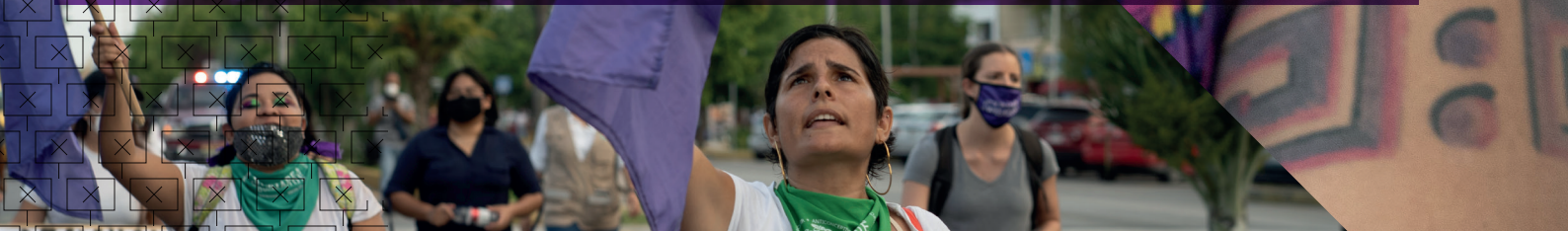
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**WENDY GALARZA
MEXICO**

SHOT WHILE PROTESTING VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN



WENDY GALARZA MEXICO

As a dedicated childcare worker, Wendy is passionate about supporting children in their youngest years. She believes it's the best way to create kinder and more compassionate societies.

It's a goal Wendy works hard for in Mexico, where women are often degraded, attacked and killed for being women. A feminist activist, she, too, almost lost her life for denouncing such violence.

On 9 November 2020, Wendy attended a march organised by feminist collectives in Cancún to demand justice for the murder of a woman known as Alexis. But when a group of demonstrators began pulling down and burning some wooden barriers, police fired shots into the air and, some say, into the crowd. Later, Wendy discovered she had bullet wounds in her leg and vulva.

Two days later, she lodged a complaint against the police. It took months for the State Prosecutor to accept her additional evidence, which included clothing showing bullet holes from the day of the protest. Today, the case continues. Those suspected of criminal responsibility for her shooting have not been brought to justice.

Undeterred, Wendy set up a collective with other women who were assaulted during the protest. "I will never let 9 November be forgotten," she says. "I will continue to raise my voice and defend the human rights of myself and my partners in struggle."

Demand justice for Wendy from Mexico's authorities.



ACT NOW

Tell Mexico's authorities to quickly, impartially and thoroughly investigate the violations that Wendy suffered, and ensure that all those responsible are brought to justice.

Grab a petition and start collecting names and emails.

SHOW WENDY YOU'RE WITH HER

Print off the solidarity letter template and write a message of support to Wendy, telling her how much you admire her for standing up for the rights of women, and expressing solidarity with her fight for justice.

SEND TO

Post your petitions, letters and solidarity letters to:

Amnesty International Australia,
Locked Bag 23,
Broadway NSW 2007
Australia.

Make sure you post them to us by 31 January 2022.

We'll post them to the target, include them in the handover in February 2022 and make sure that Wendy gets your solidarity messages.

