

Relatives of the disappeared demand justice 5 years after Ayotzinapa mass kidnapping



Mexico City, September 28 (RHC)-- Thousands of protesters marched in Mexico demanding justice for 43 student teachers who disappeared five years ago after they were abducted from the Ayotzinapa Rural Teachers' College in 2014.

Felipe de la Cruz, father of one of the missing students, told reporters: "The situation of the parents is painful, exhausting and distressing, but strengthened by all the support we receive from the population, from civil society and the new government, because we are sure we will learn the truth and the criminals will pay."

Meanwhile, family members of the victims held a demonstration on the floor of Mexico's Congress, holding up images of their missing loved ones. Mexican officials said Thursday that prosecutors were beginning new lines of investigation, and the government is offering a 1.5-million-peso reward for information. But so far, investigators say they haven't turned up any new leads. A previous independent investigation found evidence the Mexican military was involved in the disappearances.

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