

# *Bodies of six femicide victims identified in Mexico*

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**The Prosecutor's Office reported in July 2021 that there were skeletal remains of a minor in the home of the femicide. | Photo: La Jornada**

Mexico City, February 23 (RHC)-- Six of the 19 victims attributed to the Mexican femicide Andres "N", whose full identity is not indicated, have now been identified, according to the Attorney General's Office of the State of Mexico (FGJEM).

"The results have shown a coincidence in six cases, with which this institution can point out that scientifically six people have already been identified," the judicial body said in a report.

As part of the investigations carried out, remains of the bodies of six women were identified in 4,300 bone pieces extracted from the home of the accused, known as the 'femicide of Atizapán'.

Laboratory work carried out by personnel from the General Coordination of Forensic Services (CGSP) conducted genetic tests on 11 families of the remains found in the residence of the Mexican femicide. A process of extraction, purification, quantification and typing was carried out by the General Coordination of Forensic Services, which resulted in obtaining the genetic profiles.

Mexican authorities began investigating the femicide after searching his home for the disappearance of a neighbor in May 2021. There they found the body of the missing person and other skeletal remains, videos, voting credentials, clothes, shoes and bags. It was also notified by the Mexican agency that in July 2021, the Prosecutor's Office reported that there were skeletal remains of a minor, probably a child.

Mexico is one of the countries in Latin America and the Caribbean that report the highest number of femicides and disappearances. Local media report that the body of a 15-year-old girl who had been reported missing last Friday, February 18, in Tabasco, was found lifeless and with traces of torture.

Between December 1, 2016 and January 20, 2022, the Rosario Castellanos Women's Studies Group (GESMujer) counted 589 violent murders of girls and women, seven of these so far this year and 374 since the Declaration of the Gender Violence Alert.

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