

Mexican and U.S. Presidents to Discuss Missing Students



Mexico City, January 5 (RHC-teleSUR) -- Mexican President Enrique Peña Nieto will meet with his U.S. counterpart Barack Obama in Washington to discuss the disappearance of 43 students in the state of Guerrero more than three months ago.

The meeting was announced by Mexico's secretary of foreign affairs, Sergio Alcocer. Other topics scheduled for the meeting include migration, security and the economy.

The official said that Peña Nieto will thank the United States for the collaboration of the FBI in the search for the 42 remaining young people who have been missing since September 26th and that have prompted nationwide and international protests. The remains of one student of the teacher training college have been found.

Alcocer emphasized that "the Mexican government is annoyed, indignant over what happened in Ayotzinapa, something marked by barbarism, and we counted on the cooperation of countries like Austria and Argentina, as well as offers from others like Chile and the United States, who we thank."

Despite official statements, protests over the missing students, who were kidnapped by local police and handed over to a drug gang, protests have intensified over the last week, with a march on the presidential residence and a hunger strike by relatives and supporters of the missing students.

The Gendarme division of the Mexico's Federal Police announced that a further 10 police officers had been arrested in connection with the case last Friday, further intensifying the frustrations of the parents of the students.

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