

Mexican Mayoral Candidate Found Decapitated in Guerrero



Mexico City, March 12 (teleSUR-RHC)-- The body of a woman running for mayor for a town in Guerrero, Mexico was found beheaded and left on the side of a road, state prosecutors said Wednesday.

The violent murder occurred in the same region where 43 students went missing last September, which caused a huge uproar across the country.

Aide Nava was kidnapped Monday night in the municipality of Ahuacutzingo, where she was seeking to become the mayoral candidate for the left wing Democratic Revolutionary Party (PRD), after leaving a town meeting. Her body was found Tuesday along a dirt road outside of town.

"It is a very unfortunate and important case that we have to treat with a great deal of care," Guerrero's chief prosecutor Miguel Angel Godínez told Milenio TV.

Officials say it is unclear what the motive for the murder was exactly, but Nava had just announced her intention to run for the mayoral candidate over the weekend.

According to local media reports, her body was found with a note from local drug gang The Reds (Los Rojos) that read, "This is going to happen to all fucking politicians who do not want to align."

Ahuacuotzingo lies some 200 kilometers south of Iguala, Guerrero, where 43 students were arrested and handed over to local drug gang United Warriors (Guerreros Unidos) Sept. 26.

The event has attracted international attention, and has highlighted the interrelation of gang violence and politics both in the state of Guerrero and the whole country.

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