

# *Honduran Police Torture Four Teens Over Land Conflict*

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Tegucigalpa, August 29 (teleSUR-RHC)-- A Honduran human rights group reported that four teenagers were detained on July 17 this year, in the town of Marcala, department of Interoceanico. According to the version, the teens told the "On Line Defenders" of human rights that they were tortured. The oldest child, 17, explained that without any employment opportunity, he even had to work in a field. Another child, 14, who was arrested on his first day of school, said that when he was arrested, he was being taken to a school. The youngest, 13 years old, was arrested when he was bringing food for his uncle and was taken to a school. The last boy, 14, declared that the day before their arrest, the alleged owner of the land was being taken to a school. Human rights abuses from the part of the security forces have become a widespread problem in Honduras. Corruption has reportedly infiltrated the police at a very alarming level, as

Moreover, a historical drought has been hitting Central American farmers hard,

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