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FYSA - Summary of this month's Human Rights Working Group:

1) Tlatlaya (Guerrero State/Military Involvement): ODC reports 4 individuals in civilian custody (3 soldiers for murder charges/1 LT for cover up charge) and an additional four soldiers in military custody (violations of the military justice code). New facts indicate that these personnel were a patrol involved in the extrajudicial killing of 8 cartel members following two firefights with multiple civilian casualties. SEDENA is now investigating the Commander (a Major General) of the military zone overseeing the 102nd IN BN. If implicated in a gross human

rights violation, the entire military zone and 10,000 personnel will be ineligible for U.S. security cooperation assistance. Family and friends of the soldiers involved held a small protest last week. ODC assesses that as more facts come to light, there is greater acceptance that the military was involved in wrong-doing. Three separate investigations (SEDENA/Attorney-General/Congressional) are pending (b)(3)

2) Iguala (Mexico State/Police involvement): ODC reports 43 students continue to be missing after being kidnapped by cartel members complicit with municipal police. There have been approximately 50 arrests of police and government officials, but the students' whereabouts are unknown. 9 new mass graves have been found outside of Iguala, for a total of 10 (no total body count yet). None of the 28 bodies identified thus far are the remains of the students, raising alarming questions about the widespread nature of cartel violence in the region and the level of government complicity. Federal police, gendarmerie, SEDENA, and SEMAR have all been deployed to the area to help find the missing students and assist with public safety. The Attorney-General is spearheading an investigation.

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MEXICO - TLATLAYA CASE

Background: The State of Mexico's Fourth District Judge for Federal Criminal Proceeding formally issued arrest warrants for seven Mexican Army soldiers, under Criminal Case 81/2014, for their involvement in the Tlatlaya case, in which 22 suspected criminals were killed by Mexican Army personnel, on 30 June, 2014. The soldiers were charged with a combination of crimes including Improper Exercise of Public Service (all 7 soldiers), Abuse of Authority (3 of the soldiers), Aggravated Homicide against 8 People (3 of the soldiers), Illicit Tampering of the Scene of the Crime (3 of the soldiers), or Illegal Concealment (1 of the soldiers). NC/PA posture is response to query. DOS has the lead for the release of any information concerning USG support to Mexico.

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