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Caravan of Mothers of Disappeared Migrants brings their search to U.S. Capitol

Members of Congress, mothers to hold press event Oct. 19th addressing root causes of migration

WHAT: The Caravan of Mothers of Disappeared Migrants from Central America, after searching for their relatives at the U.S.-Mexico border, will bring their message to policy makers in Washington, D.C., sharing first-hand accounts of the tragic consequences which accompany forced migration and how U.S. foreign policy in Central America is a root cause driving such migration. Speakers will elevate bills in Congress that address factors driving migration in the region, like the Honduras Human Rights bill (HR 2716) and Berta Cáceres Act (HR 1574), which call for suspending assistance to Honduran security forces.

WHO: Reps. Ilhan Omar and Raul Grijalva will welcome the mothers and share remarks. Mothers and family members whose loved ones are missing will speak and give testimony. National faith partners, immigration advocates and other elected officials will be in attendance and participate.

WHEN: Tuesday, October 19, 10am ET.

WHERE: Corner of East Capitol Street and First St SE (west of the Library of Congress, east of the U.S. Capitol Visitors’ Center; Capitol Grounds Area #21)

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This event is being organized by Migrant Roots Media, Sisters of Mercy of the Americas, Puentes de Esperanza, & Pax Christi USA in coordination with el Movimiento Migrante Mesoamericano.

Find out more about the Caravan at this link.