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**Fundación Nydia Erika Bautista (FNEB)**

Dear Attorney General,

I am writing to express my deep concern with the continued threats and attacks against women searching for victims of enforced disappearance in Colombia, particularly the **Fundación Nydia Erika Bautista (FNEB)**, a women-led organisation, which today supports the searching and process for truth, justice and reparation for more than 500 disappeared across Colombia. Their struggle has come at enormous risk: threats, attacks, years of exile, surveillance, theft of information and money, home invasions, verbal abuse, and stigmatising discourse; most with a clear gender component.

FNEB and other women searchers have led advocacy that secured major advances in Colombia: the recognition of enforced disappearance as a crime, restrictions on military courts from handling such cases, and, most recently, the adoption of Law 2364 of 2024, which recognises the work and rights of women searchers. On 23 October 2025, Colombia celebrated *Día Nacional de las Mujeres Buscadoras* for the second time, honoring these women. But action must follow. The government must finally provide adequate protection for the activists and ensure that the perpetrators are brought to justice.

Therefore, I urge you to recognize the case of Nydia Erika Bautista as a crime against humanity and intensify the disciplinary and criminal proceedings against those allegedly responsible. Please also ensure that women searchers are adequately protected in accordance with Law 2364/2024.

Yours sincerely,