

UNITED STATES PERMANENT MISSION TO THE
ORGANIZATION OF AMERICAN STATES
DEPARTMENT OF STATE
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His Excellency
Ambassador Tomás Ignacio Pascual Ricke
Permanent Representative of Chile, and
Chair of the Permanent Council
Organization of American States

Excellency:

We, the undersigned Member States of the Organization of American States (OAS), write to express our concern regarding recent developments in the Republic of Honduras in the lead-up to its general elections scheduled for November 30, 2025. The OAS General Secretariat and the OAS Electoral Observation Mission (EOM) in Honduras have publicly raised issues pointing to growing risks to the autonomy of electoral institutions, delays in electoral preparations, and threats to electoral officials and processes. These developments merit the focused attention of the Council.

The United States, together with co-signing Member States, strongly supports the work of the OAS Electoral Observation Mission to Honduras and fully reiterates the redlines articulated by the Mission:

- That the National Electoral Council of Honduras be able to carry out its organizational and technical responsibilities independently, free from interference or undue pressure, in accordance with Honduran law.

We share the concerns expressed by the OAS General Secretariat and call on all relevant Honduran authorities—including electoral authorities, judicial bodies, and the Armed Forces—to act scrupulously and faithfully within the constitutional and legal framework of Honduras. Ensuring the integrity of the electoral process and protecting the personal security of electoral officials are indispensable to allowing the Honduran people to exercise their democratic rights.

In this context, we consider it appropriate to request that the government of Honduras facilitate a presentation by the members of the National Electoral Council (CNE) and the Electoral Justice Tribunal (TJE) on these matters.

We propose that the Special Session be held on November 25, 2025, thereby ensuring a focused agenda and providing this issue with the dedicated attention it requires. We invite

other Member States to join this request as co-signatories in order to strengthen the collective response.

The undersigned Member States remain committed to upholding democratic norms in Honduras and to supporting the OAS and its Electoral Observation Mission in ensuring that the Honduran people can vote freely, safely and on schedule. We look forward to working constructively with you and with all Member States under your leadership.

Please accept, Excellency, the renewed assurances of our highest consideration.



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