



Tom Lantos Human Rights Commission Hearing

Human Rights and Corruption in Honduras

Panel I



Esmeralda Arosemena de Troitiño is a citizen of Panama and President of the Inter-American Commission of Human Rights. She was elected Commissioner on June 16, 2015, by the OAS General Assembly, for a four-year term that runs through December 2019. She has served as a Justice of Panama's Supreme Court, of which she was vice-president. She participated in the Special Commission that proposed constitutional reforms in Panama on 2011, and on the Commission that elaborated the Code of Constitutional Procedures in 2016. She is an academic and a professor at the University of Panama, the Superior Judicial Institute and Panama's Judicial Authority and has consulted on childhood, adolescence, women and family for international organizations. She has a degree in Philosophy, Letters and Education, with a specialization in Pedagogy, as well as a degree in Law and Political Science with post-graduate studies in gender.

Panel II



Lisa Haugaard is the co-director of the Latin America Working Group Education Fund. She has led advocacy on human rights and peace issues in Latin America for over two decades with a coalition of U.S. humanitarian, human rights, immigrant-led, and faith organizations. She has participated in international human rights verification missions in Colombia, Mexico and Central America, including on extrajudicial executions, human rights defenders, migrant rights, and electoral observation. She has a BA from Swarthmore College, a Master's degree in Latin American studies from New York University, and was a Fulbright scholar in Central America.



Eric L. Olson is Director of Policy for the Seattle International Foundation's Central America in DC program where he oversees the Foundation's engagement with the DC-based policy community. He also provides strategic policy advice to the Foundation's Central American partners on priority issues such as promoting rule of law and good governance, ending forced migration and displacement, ensuring equity, and strengthening civil society. In addition to his work with the Foundation, Olson is a Wilson Center Global Fellow and served as the Mexico Institute and Latin American Program's Deputy Director for 11 years. Prior to his arrival at the Wilson Center he worked with the Secretariat for Political Affairs at the Organization of American States as a Senior Specialist on Good Governance, at Amnesty International USA as Advocacy Director for the Americas, and at the Washington Office on Latin America as Senior Associate for Mexico. He has published numerous articles and books. He holds a Master's degree in International Affairs from the American University's School of International Service, and a Bachelor's degree in Education and History from Trinity College in Deerfield, IL.



Edy Tábor is the Director of the Committee for Freedom of Expression (C-Libre), a coalition of journalists and civil society members that was founded in 2001 to defend and promote freedom of expression and the right to information in Honduras. Edy is also a lawyer and a researcher.



Ana Rosa Quintana leads The Heritage Foundation's efforts on U.S. policy toward Latin America. She has authored numerous policy studies included but not limited to Cuba, Venezuela, and Central America. In addition to writing policy papers, Quintana's articles have appeared in *Real Clear World*, *The National Interest*, *The Federalist*, among others, and she has served as a commentator on media outlets like Fox News, MSNBC, and Al Jazeera. She is a current National Security Fellow with the Foundation for Defense of Democracies and a former Penn Kemble Democracy Forum Fellow with the National Endowment for Democracy. Prior to joining Heritage, she was a student trainee at the Defense Intelligence Agency. Quintana holds a Master of Arts degree in global security studies and a bachelor's degree in political science, both from Florida International University.