



Tom Lantos Human Rights Commission Briefing

Update: Peace and Victims' Rights in Colombia

Panel I



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Jaime Arias is Governor of the Kankuamo Indigenous Peoples and serves as the Co-Chair of the Indigenous Caucus in the Working Group responsible for preparing the American Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples. He is a grassroots leader and advocate for the promotion and protection of the human rights of indigenous peoples of the Americas and Colombia. Mr. Arias holds a Bachelor's in Educational Administration and has ample experience in teaching and community

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Lisa Haugaard is the executive director of the Latin America Working Group, where she has spearheaded advocacy on human rights and peace issues in Latin America for two decades. She directs advocacy on Colombia, Central America, development and military aid and policy and coordinates coalition campaigns with U.S. and Latin American partners. Lisa has testified multiple times before the U.S. Congress, written reports, memos and blogs on human rights topics, and has participated in international human rights verification missions in Colombia, Mexico and