



Tom Lantos Human Rights Commission Briefing

A View from the Field: Migration in Honduras

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Panelists



Father Juan Luis Carbajal is the Executive Secretary of the National Migration Pastoral Program for the Guatemalan Bishops' Conference and member of the Scalabrini order. Father Carbajal has directed the Migrant Shelter in Guatemala City since 2014 and has broad experience in migrant rights issues.



Sister Lidia Mara Souza is the Executive Secretary of the National Migration Pastoral Program for the Honduran Bishops' Conference and member of the Scalabrini order. Sister Mara has in-depth and direct experience with the situation of migrants deported to Honduras and the challenges facing humanitarian and faith agencies in assisting this population.



Patricia Montes is the Executive Director of Centro Presente, a member-driven, state-wide Latin American immigrant organization dedicated to the self-determination and self-sufficiency of the Latin American immigrant community of Massachusetts, focused on immigrant rights and economic and social justice. Ms. Montes, a Honduran immigrant, is also a board member of the National Alliance of Latino and Caribbean Communities (NALAAC).

Moderator



Lisa Haugaard is the Executive Director of the Latin America Working Group, a nonprofit that serves a coalition of U.S. humanitarian aid agencies, faith, human rights, labor and other civil society organizations interested in promoting human rights in U.S. policy towards Latin America. Ms. Haugaard has participated in numerous verification missions on human rights and migration in Central America, Colombia, and Mexico.