Permanent Mission of Mexico

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The Permanent Mission of Mexico to the United Nations presents its compliments to the Codification Division of the Office of Legal Affairs and has the honour to refer to its communication No. LA/COD/4, dated 31 December 2008, regarding the report concerning resolution 63/126, entitled "Consideration of effective measures to enhance the protection, security and safety of diplomatic and consular missions and representatives", to be submitted by the Secretary-General to the General Assembly at its sixty-fifth session.

To that end, the Permanent Mission, following up on its communication No. ONU00354, dated 6 April 2009, wishes to convey additional comments of the Government of Mexico, with a view to their inclusion in the Secretary-General's report.

The Permanent Mission of Mexico to the United Nations takes this opportunity to convey to the Codification Division of the Office of Legal Affairs the renewed assurances of its highest consideration.

New York, 7 September 2010

Consideration of effective measures to enhance the protection, security and safety of diplomatic and consular missions and representatives

General Assembly resolution 63/126

January-August 2010

I. Incidents

On 9 April 2010, an unknown number of persons threw an explosive device at the Consulate General of the United States of America in Nuevo Laredo, State of Tamaulipas.

The following day, consular staff reported the incident to the local branch of the Office of the Attorney General of the Republic in the State of Tamaulipas. In response, the same day, an official from the Public Prosecutor's Office and experts in forensics, ballistics and photography went to the scene.

The Office of the Attorney General of the Republic reports that the explosion was caused by a fragmentation grenade and that its state branch office is taking various steps to bring the perpetrator(s) to justice.

II. Measures taken to bring offenders to justice

The Office of the Attorney General of the State of Chihuahua opened an investigation into the homicide on 13 March 2010 of Lesley A. Enríquez, a staff member at the Consulate General of the United States in Ciudad Juárez.

On 26 March 2010, authorities arrested Ricardo Valles de la Rosa, the leader of a criminal organization that operates in that city.

On 5 April 2010, the Office of the Attorney General of the Republic received the corresponding case file, together with a certified copy of a statement made by the accused, who openly admitted having taken part in the acts in question. The case is currently under investigation.

Jesús Ernesto Chávez Castillo, who allegedly was behind the homicide of Lesley A. Enríquez, was arrested in July 2010, along with six other persons who were with him.

The corresponding investigation is currently being conducted by the Federal Public Prosecutor from the Office of the Special Assistant Attorney General for Organized Crime.