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National Civil Police (PNC) Enters Cristosal Offices

San Salvador, April 28, 2025 — Cristosal reports that today, Monday, April 28, at approximately 11:35 a.m., two officers from the National Civil Police (PNC) entered the organization's offices during a press conference convened to present the outcomes of a recent visit to El Salvador by Kerry Kennedy, president of the U.S.-based organization *Robert F. Kennedy Human Rights*.

Upon entering the private property, the officers proceeded to film and photograph the office facilities, as well as the vehicles of staff members and media outlets present. When asked for their reasons, the police stated they were there to investigate a "supposed demonstration in support of Venezuelans and a press conference." Cristosal's legal team explained to the officers that the activity underway was a legitimate one, and as they had no warrant or legal order, the officers subsequently left the premises.

This incident is not isolated. **It reflects the current context of authoritarianism and the shrinking of democratic space in El Salvador.**

Just last week, during an event organized by the *Mesa Against Impunity in El Salvador (MECIES)* and relatives of the four Dutch journalists murdered during the armed conflict, two police officers also appeared and requested information from one of the attendees.

Cristosal reaffirms our commitment to continue working for truth, justice, and the defense of human rights.

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