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### THE PRESIDENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF COLOMBIA VISITED THE INTER-AMERICAN COURT OF HUMAN RIGHTS



*San José, Costa Rica, August 29, 2023.* Yesterday the President of the Inter-American Court of Human Rights, Judge Ricardo C. Pérez Manrique, along with the Full Court and the Secretariat, received the President of the Republic of Colombia, His Excellency Gustavo Petro Urrego.

The Minister of Foreign Affairs of Colombia, Álvaro Leyva Durán, the Minister of Justice and Rights, Néstor Osuna Patiño, the Ambassador of the Republic of Colombia in Costa Rica, Carlos Rodríguez Mejía, the Director of the Administrative Department of the Presidency of Colombia, Carlos Ramón González, the Judicial Secretary of the Presidency of the Republic, Vladimir Fernández, and the Vice Minister of Foreign Affairs, Francisco Coy Granados, were also present at the meeting.



During the meeting with the Judges of the Court, President Petro addressed the importance of the Inter-American System for the Protection of Human Rights to the countries in the region and the key role of the Inter-American Court in defending human rights. Moreover, it confirmed Colombia's commitment to mandatory compliance with the judgments issued by the Court.



The President of the Inter-American Court reiterated Colombia's historical role in the Inter-American System for the Protection of Human Rights and in the development of international human rights law, recalling the 75<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the adoption of the American Declaration of the Rights and Duties of Man in the city of Bogotá. Moreover, it thanked President Petro for the opportunity to hold the Court's session in Colombia during October 2023.

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