



US Immigrants' rights leader threatened!

MARU MUST STAY!

Hands off activists and protesters!

Stop separation of families!

No detention & deportations!

Maru Mora-Villalpando, a **US based community organiser and mother** is facing deportation. On 15 January, she received a deportation notice from the US government. The Trump administration as part of its attacks against immigrant communities has arrested and detained outspoken, undocumented campaigners – including from Haiti, Trinidad, Central and Latin America.

Maru leads the Northwest Detention Center Resistance (NWDCR), an organization co-founded when immigrants held at the Center went on hunger strike in 2014 protesting their inhumane treatment. Since then, Maru's has led campaigning that has made the Detention Center a site of local resistance with weekly rallies and vigils outside its gates. She is also part of an international network of anti-deportation campaigners.

Maru is being targeted because of her vital work against Trump's racist immigration policy which has seen deportations soar by nearly 50%. Many long-term residents, like Maru who has lived in the US for over 20 years, are being wrenched from their families and communities.

Millions worldwide are fleeing war, genocide and starvation caused by the policies of the US and other Western governments and corporations. The work of those of us from the Global South creates wealth for the Global North. We have a right to safety, to cross borders and to claim our rights.

We cannot allow organisers like Maru, who have stood up for others, to be targeted.

In defending Maru we defend ourselves.

International actions


International actions are being organized to stop Maru's threat of deportation. So far:

- **2 February:** Protest at US embassy **México City, México** (12 – 14h.).
- **3 February:** Action at the Citizen Assembly against Racism, **Valencia, Spain** (from 18h)
- **4 February:** People's Tribunal against North West Detention Center, **Tacoma, USA** (12 – 15h)
- **5 February:** Protest at US embassy, **London, UK** (17.30 - 18.30h)
- Actions planned in **Pennsylvania** and **California**, and in other countries

We invite you to

- **Organize an action** – protest, vigil, leafletting, letter writing, meeting...
- Sign the [Petition](#)
- Support Maru's [Defense Fund](#)
- **Spread the word** – email this message, circulate on social media, contact the press.

Wherever you are, whatever you do, let us know so we can publicise it.

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