

# URGENT ACTION

## CLAMPDOWN ON FREEDOM OF EXPRESSION

Puerto Rico authorities responded violently to demonstrations on 1 May 2018 by repressing protesters and violating their rights to freedom of expression and assembly. With more demonstrations planned, peaceful protesters were at risk of further human rights violations.

**NO FURTHER ACTION IS REQUESTED. MANY THANKS TO ALL WHO SENT APPEALS.**

Unfortunately, the response of the government of Puerto Rico has been almost non-existent and impractical. Puerto Rico is going through a serious economic, social and cultural rights crisis and a humanitarian crisis derived by the effects of the Hurricane Maria in 2017, making thousands to take on the streets claiming for effective measures to protect their rights but encountering a silent or violent response from the authorities.

Amnesty International will follow the situation in the upcoming months and will expand its human rights education and training aimed to prevent and expose restrictions to the right of freedom of expression and assembly.

Thank you very much for your actions.

NAME AND PREFERRED PRONOUN: N/A

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