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We believe that promoting the culture of justice and the rule of law can have a positive impact on the efforts of Honduras, at the same time we are carrying on projects with the IDLO. Such projects are focused on access to justice and on specialist services for children and teenagers, victims of domestic violence and women; because we think that in this way the rule of law and food security can improve. We can strengthen tools for justice operators, for police forces and the other agencies and organizations involved. We also want to improve access to justice and services for people living in situations of conflict especially in the region of San Pedro Sula. Developing a regulatory framework for the inclusion of people with criminal problems and the right of victims we want to support the improvement and support of the criminal system for teenagers through specific public policies. It should be stressed that Honduras is addressing these issues beyond some superficial policies. We really want to introduce major reforms, we want to adopt a people centered approach, because people, persons, are the only subject that we want to protect. Also we want to adopt a country plan, as it were.

It is important for us to stress that the opening of the office is a positive step for Honduras and for the rest of the region. In this way we can share and cooperate with our neighboring countries to share good practices and we will do so with the help and support of IDLO. We have been successful in the past with some projects, so we do know how much, and to what extent, IDLO is and effective supporting organization, and so we are now very happy for the opening of the new office. Thank you