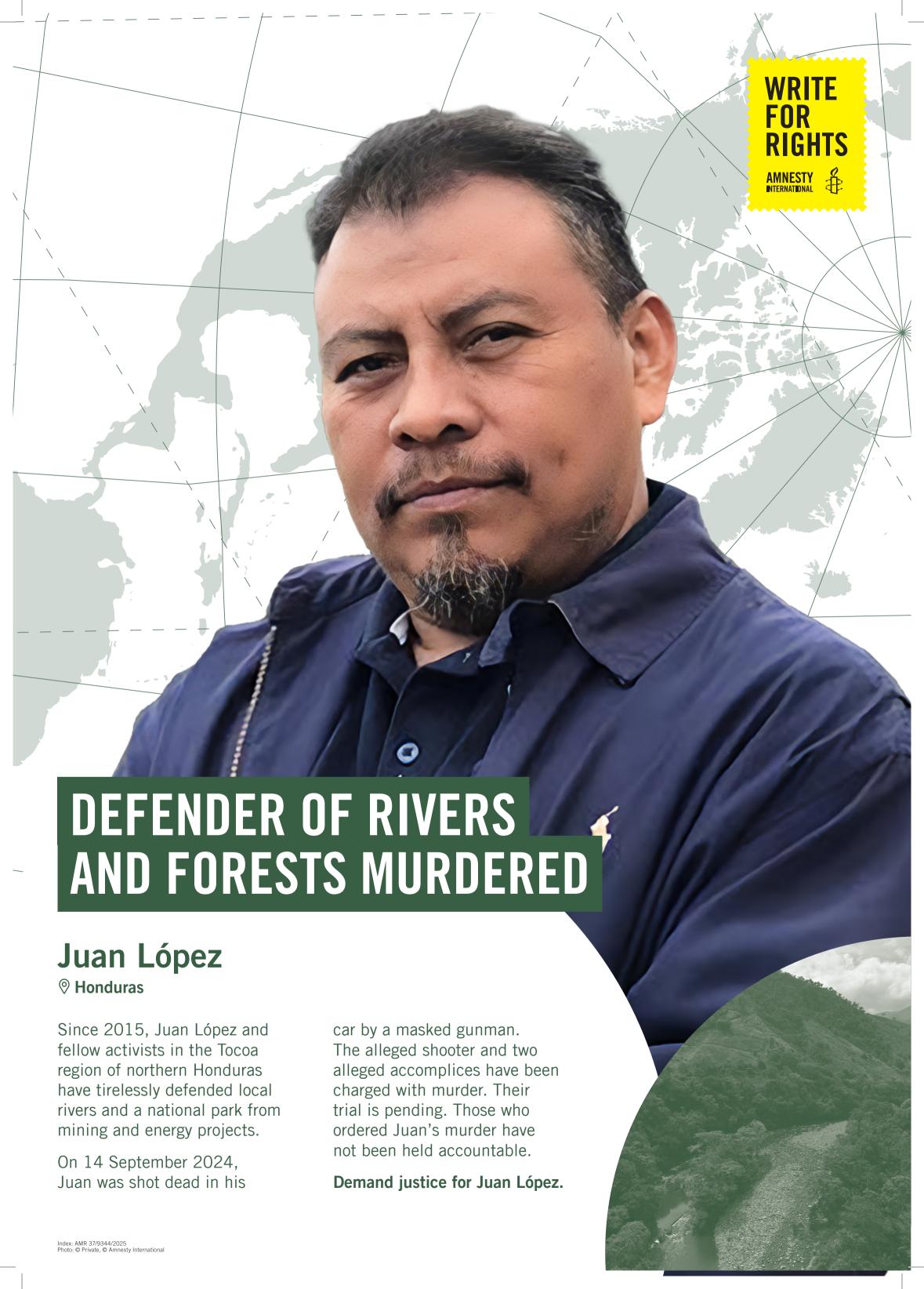




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## WOMAN JOURNALIST JAILED FOR EXPOSING ALLEGED CORRUPTION

## Makhabat Tazhibek kyzy

**Nyrgyzstan** 

Makhabat Tazhibek kyzy was head of one of the most prominent investigative media outlets in Kyrgyzstan, uncovering corruption and reporting on deeply rooted social issues.

In January 2024, the authorities raided Makhabat's home and arrested her.

The charges: "calls for violence against citizens" and "calls for active disobedience and mass riots" were baseless. Yet in October 2024, Makhabat was sentenced to six years in prison.

Call on Kyrgyzstan to ensure the immediate release of Makhabat and to review her criminal case now.



