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Radamiro Gaviria is a Colombian lawyer from Universidad del Rosario. He was born in Bogota where he also attended Universidad Javeriana and studied History. From 2002 to 2013 he was tenured professor at Universidad del Rosario. Radamiro was also professor at the Faculty of International Relations of Universidad Militar “Nueva Granada” as well as of the specialization International Law of Armed Conflicts of the Escuela Militar de Cadetes “Jose Maria Cordova.”

His experience in the Human Rights field goes back to 2002 when he worked as a Human Rights Local Committee Coordinator for the Government Secretary of Bogota-Universidad del Rosario consulting agreement. From that position he knew directly the Human Rights problems of the population of several localities of the Colombian capital city. Then the work and knowledge about Human Rights developed by Radamiro was given to the superior officers of the Military Academy of Colombia in order to elaborate a program aimed to the respect for Human Rights by the Colombian Army.

Among the several works that Radamiro has in his academic career it is worth to note “Eficacia de las acciones constitucionales en defensa de derechos colectivos” edited by Universidad del Rosario; “Estados Unidos, profesionalización, política y funciones de Fuerzas Militares en Suramérica” produced for Universidad Militar “Nueva Granada”; “La gestación de la idea nacional” in: Formas de Hispanidad, edited by Universidad del Rosario, and “El Nuevo Reino de Granada y sus provincias: Crisis de la Independencia y experiencias republicanas” that was edited by Universidad Javeriana. Through his academic work Radamiro makes a reflection about different topics that involves various aspects of the Colombian difficulties and dilemmas.

Radamiro has devoted his professional skills to helping others especially those in need. Thus, he has participated at different levels in organizations such as “Fundación Surcontinente” that works in the implementation of technological pedagogic tools to help children in disadvantaged sectors in Bogota Colombia. He has also participated in “Fundacion Corazon Verde” which is an

organization dedicated to help the widows and orphans of the policemen killed in the armed conflict in Colombia.

Since Radamiro came to Canada he has been willing to work for the community as a form to help others to integrate into the society and also as a form to put his knowledge to serve people. For this reason, he started volunteering in Canadian Human Rights International Organization in 2011. In 2014 Radamiro became member of the executive board of Canadian Human Rights International Organization as International Researcher and Advocate for the Human Rights & Refugee Protection Programs.