

Government Bans Tourists From Bringing Bibles Into the Country

Tourists entering Nicaragua are no longer allowed to carry Bibles into the country.

The group Christian Solidarity Worldwide reported this month that notices at Tica Bus terminals in Costa Rica, which offer routes to Nicaragua's capital city of Managua, informing passengers that magazines, newspapers, cameras and books – including the Bible – are prohibited.

Knives, perishable foods and drones are also banned.

A representative from the company's Honduras location said the restrictions have been in place for about half a year.

Anna Lee Stangl, director of advocacy and Americas team leader for CSW, is urging Nicaraguan President Daniel Ortega and his regime to lift the ban "immediately."

"The Nicaraguan government's efforts to restrict the entry of Bibles, other books, newspapers and magazines into the country are highly concerning, given the current context of repression," she said. "We call on the government of Nicaragua to lift this ban immediately, and to cease its continued efforts to stifle freedom of religion or belief and expression in the country."

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