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UNITED STATES COURT OF APPEALS
FOR THE NINTH CIRCUIT

ROSA GUILLERMINA BLANCO,

Petitioner,

v.

ERIC H. HOLDER, Jr., Attorney General,

Respondent.

No. 10-73814

Agency No. A088-965-787

MEMORANDUM*

On Petition for Review of an Order of the
Board of Immigration Appeals

Submitted April 7, 2015**

Before: FISHER, TALLMAN, and NGUYEN, Circuit Judges.

Rosa Guillermina Blanco, a native and citizen of El Salvador, petitions for review of the Board of Immigration Appeals' ("BIA") order dismissing her appeal from an immigration judge's decision denying her application for withholding of removal. We have jurisdiction under 8 U.S.C. § 1252. We review for substantial

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** The panel unanimously concludes this case is suitable for decision without oral argument. *See* Fed. R. App. P. 34(a)(2).

evidence the agency's factual findings. *See Zehatye v. Gonzales*, 453 F.3d 1182, 1184-85 (9th Cir. 2006). We deny the petition for review.

Blanco does not challenge the BIA's finding that she did not establish past persecution. Substantial evidence supports the BIA's finding that Blanco failed to establish that a protected ground, including membership in a social group or a political opinion, would be a central reason for her being targeted. *See Parussimova v. Mukasey*, 555 F.3d 734, 740 (9th Cir. 2009) (the REAL ID Act "requires that a protected ground represent 'one central reason' for an asylum applicant's persecution"); *see also Zetino v. Holder*, 622 F.3d 1007, 1016 (9th Cir. 2010) ("An [applicant's] desire to be free from . . . random violence by gang members bears no nexus to a protected ground."). In light of our conclusion, we need not reach Blanco's other contentions regarding withholding of removal. Thus, her withholding of removal claim fails.

PETITION FOR REVIEW DENIED.