José Carlos Marroquín and his family

23. On January 29, 2007, the IACHR granted precautionary measures in favor of Mr. José Carlos Marroquín Pérez, his wife, and two daughters. The information available indicates that Mr. José Carlos Marroquín has been the target of a series of threats and attacks and that on November 18, 2006, unknown persons launched bombs and shot firearms at his home. Those attacks were said to have been aimed at pressuring Mr. Marroquín Pérez to renounce his affiliation with a Guatemalan political party. In weighing the request for precautionary measures, the IACHR received information according to which as of early 2007 Guatemala had a context marked by violence and attacks directed against politicians in connection with campaigning in the run-up to the September 2007 elections. The Commission asked the Guatemalan State to adopt the measures needed to guarantee the life and physical integrity of the beneficiaries and to report on the actions taken to investigate judicially the facts gave rise to the precautionary measures. The Commission continues to monitor the beneficiaries' situation.