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[1] Communication 1850, which includes a list of twelve individuals arrested and presumed missing in Chile. These denunciations were presented to the CIDH during its on-site investigation in Santiago, at its thirty-third session (July -August 1974)

[2] The Commission in a note of July 25, 1974, requested the Government of Chile to provide the appropriate information.

[3] The Government of Chile, in a note dated October 23, 1974 (No. 18107) provided information in the status of some of the individuals named on the list: two of them were being tried; one of them was being held under the control of the Executive by virtue of the "State of Siege" and another was free. It was reported that inquiries were still being made to determine the whereabouts of the other individuals, and that the results of these inquiries would be transmitted to the Commission.

[4] In a note dated January 17, 1975 (No. 1236), additional information was provided that included data on the eight remaining individuals, and requesting more information from the CIDH on the identity of one of the individuals in order to be able to proceed with the inquiries; another three individuals were being held in Santiago by virtue of the State of Siege; another was in "conditional freedom" and, finally, inquiries on the last individual were continuing.

[5] The Commission examined this case during its thirty-fifth session (May 1975) together with the information provided by the Government of Chile. It decided to repeat its request to that Government that it transmit information on those individuals presumed missing with regard to whom the Government was conducting an investigation, and requesting it that with regard to individuals arrested by virtue of the State of Siege it kindly report whether specific charges have brought against them or whether, on the contrary, they are soon to be released. It also decided to request the Government of Chile to provide the following supplementary information:

- a) The results of the proceedings against one of the arrested individuals, filed under No. 1-73 and,
- b) The circumstances under which one of the former prisoners had been given "conditional freedom."

[6] Pursuant to this decision, a note was sent to the Government of Chile on August 5, 1975.

[7] The Commission looked into the status of this case at its thirty-sixth session (October 1975), and decided to postpone examination of the case, in view of the fact that the request for more information was still in course.