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44. On April 1, 1998, the Commission requested the adoption of precautionary measures on behalf of two nuns, Miriam Halsall and Mary Therese Mullock, one Irish and the other Australian, who were working in Chiapas and who were on the list of foreign missionaries and religious personnel for whom the Commission had previously requested that the State of Mexico provide protection against imminent and arbitrary expulsion. The cases of Halsall and Mullock were more pressing because of their upcoming interviews with the immigration authorities. The State was requested to guarantee them due legal process, the right to a proper defense, access to information on their immigration cases, and, if expulsion was decided, suspension of its execution until a final judicial decision was handed down.