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17. On January 28, 1999, the Commission learned that investigators Jairo Bedoya, Olga Rodas, Jorge Salazar and Claudia Tamayo, of the Popular Training Institute (IPC), had been abducted that afternoon by a group of armed civilians who had forced their way into the headquarters of the IPC in Medellin, Antioquia. That very afternoon, the Commission granted precautionary measures in favor of the persons named and immediately and urgently contacted the State of Colombia to request that the necessary measures be taken to ascertain the whereabouts of the victims and to protect their lives, physical integrity and liberty. Olga Rodas and Claudia Tamayo were freed on February 11, 1999, while Jairo Bedoya and Jorge Salazar regained their liberty on February 19, 1999. Responsibility for the kidnappings was claimed by the "Autodefensas" of Córdoba and Urabá.