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27. On August 27, 1999, the Commission granted precautionary measures in favor of Dilcia Yean and Violeta Bosica. According to the information before the Commission, they had been denied Dominican nationality, despite having been born in the territory of the Dominican Republic and despite the fact that the Constitution establishes the principle of ius soli. By denying them this right, they were exposed to the imminent threat of arbitrary expulsion from their country of birth. The Commission required the State to adopt the measures necessary to prevent their expulsion from the territory of the Dominican Republic, and to prevent Violeta Bosica from being deprived of her right to attend school and to receive the education provided to other children of Dominican nationality. During its 104th session, the Commission convened the parties for a hearing to deal with these precautionary measures. At that hearing, the State declared that the measures requested by the IACHR were being implemented, and the parties agreed to seek a friendly settlement through the good offices of the Commission.