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9. On October 27, 1999, the IACHR granted precautionary measures on behalf of Mr. Julio Mera, a Peruvian citizen who has been legally resident in Argentina for the past eight years, to prevent his extradition to his country of origin, Peru, for a period of six months, until his petition has been reviewed. According to the information received, Mr. Mera had been detained in July of 1998 following a request by the Peruvian government for his extradition to try him for acts with political implications that had occurred almost a decade earlier. The Federal Judge who heard the case granted the request for extradition, and this ruling was appealed and taken to the Supreme Court of Justice. Parallel to the extradition proceeding, the Committee on the Eligibility of Refugees, CEPARE, had, at the request of Mr. Mera, granted him the status of refugee, which meant that the case before the Supreme Court of Justice was closed. The Government of Peru appealed the decision of CEPARE, and a ruling on that appeal is still pending. During the period of the present report, the parties continued presenting information and observations in relation to this situation.