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56. On December 15, 2000, the Commission requested the adoption of precautionary measures on behalf of Mr. José Jacobo Amaya Ruíz (case 12.351), a Salvadoran citizen scheduled to be executed on January 18, 2001 in the State of Arizona. The Commission requested that the State preserve the life and physical integrity of Mr. Amaya, so it could fully investigate the allegations made to the Inter-American system, on the grounds that executing Mr. Amaya before the Commission examined the case would cause irreparable harm. Through a letter dated January 8, 2001, the State informed the Commission that it had transmitted the request for precautionary measures to the Attorney General of the State of Arizona for consideration and reiterated its position that the Commission's recommendations are not binding for the State.