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39. On July 13, 2001, the Inter-American Commission granted precautionary measures on behalf of Faustino Jiménez Alvarez, who had been violently detained, without a warrant, on June 17, 2001, by agents of the Guerrero state Judicial Police, in an operation involving several vehicles marked as belonging to that police force. The abduction was witnessed by Mr. Jiménez Alvarez's family and, in spite of complaints filed with the Guerrero state attorney-general, it appears that no effective steps to locate him have been taken. As part of the measures, the petitioners requested that the federal attorney-general intervene, since they suspect complicity between the kidnapers and the Guerrero Public Prosecution Service. The State replied on August 21, 2001, stating that an investigation had begun, with the involvement of Mr. Jiménez Alvarez's wife. On September 9, 2001, the petitioners replied that there were still irregularities in the investigation. In turn, on November 26, 2001, the State reported that two suspected perpetrators had been arrested and that the search for Mr. Jiménez Alvarez was continuing. At the petitioners' request, on November 28, 2001, the precautionary measures were extended to cover the following individuals: Ultiminio Díaz, a former Guerrero state judicial police officer who is currently under arrest and whose life has been threatened if he continues to make allegations about judicial police officers and their superiors involved in kidnappings; and Enedina Cervantes Salgado, Faustino Jiménez Alvarez's wife, who is in grave danger because of her search for her disappeared husband.