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50. On August 28, 2001, in petition P0416/2001, the Commission granted precautionary measures and asked the Peruvian State to immediately provide the medical examinations necessary to protect the health of Isabel Velarde Sánchez, an inmate at the Chorrillos women's penitentiary in Lima for the past five years, serving a 12-year prison term imposed by the Peruvian courts. In the petition, the Commission was informed that Ms. Velarde Sánchez has suffered a series of ailments and health problems since being imprisoned. The IACHR was told that Ms. Velarde Sánchez's health problems included mobile breast lumps, the nature of which had not been identified by means of the necessary specialized examinations. The State replied that it was providing Ms. Velarde Sánchez with medical attention and it later administered the medical exams necessary to protect Ms. Velarde Sánchez's health.