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46. Based on the information received from the petitioners, on December 21, 2001, the IACHR granted precautionary measures on behalf of Abel Barrera Hernández. Mr. Barrera Hernández, the director of the Tlachinollan Mountain Human Rights Center, received a verbal threat telling him to be careful because there was a group of people who wanted to cause him harm. The incident worried Mr. Barrera, who had received similar threats in the past and which, according to the complaint, had never been investigated. In their application the petitioners added that they sought protection from Mexico's National Human Rights Commission and from the Guerrero State Human Rights Defense Commission; however, they did not receive an appropriate answer to their grave situation and thus had grounds for fearing that the threat could be carried out.