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97. On August 23, 2002 the IACHR granted precautionary measures on behalf of Fernando Sánchez Colmenares, a victim of the events of April 11, 2002 in the vicinity of Palacio Miraflores in Caracas, and Mohamad Merhi, a relative of another victim of those events. According to the petition presented to the Commission, the beneficiaries were each victims of attacks on their lives, perpetrated in a similar way, on August 9 and 10, 2002, allegedly as a result of a case brought against government authorities for their alleged responsibility for the events of April 11, 2002. The State reported that the Vice Minister of Public Safety would implement police protection on behalf of the beneficiaries and that the Attorney General's Office had opened an investigation into the incidents.