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41. On August 27, 2002 the IACHR granted precautionary measures on behalf of Diego Osorio, Carlos Valencia, Aide Trujillo, Rodrigo López, Vicente Villarda, Gerardo Santibáñez, Guillermo Cardona, Domingo Taboparda, Adriana, González, María Teresa Henao, and others. On August 21, 2002 the Risaralda Teacher's Union (SER) received a leaflet by fax signed by the self-appointed Cacique Calarcá Bloc of the United Self-Defense Forces of Colombia (AUC) ordering them to "leave the region within 15 days. If not, our units will take the actions set forth by our general command." The letter specifically named the following members of the United Workers Union (CUT) and the Human Rights Committee (CDH): Diego Osorio, district president of the CUT; Carlos Valencia, treasurer of the executive committee of the CUT branch; Aide Trujillo, president of the Risaralda Teacher's Union (SER); Rodrigo López, vice president of the SER; Vicente Villada, treasurer of the executive committee of the SER branch; Gerardo Santibáñez, secretary general of the Public Company Workers Union (SINTRAEMDES); Guillermo Cardona, President of the Risaralda branch of the Permanent Committee for the Defense of Human Rights (CPDH); Domingo Taborda, vice president of the Risaralda branch of the CPDH; Adriana González, secretary general of the Risaralda branch of the CPDH and member of the national executive committee of the "Eduardo Umaña Mendoza" Association of Defense Lawyers; María Teresa Henao, Risaralda branch of the CPDH; Gustavo Marín, Risaralda branch of the CPDH; Dover Hoyos, Risaralda branch of the CPDH; and Hernando Aguirre, Risaralda branch of the CPDH. With regard to the protective measures taken by the State, the IACHR received information on the reinforcement of the headquarters of the CUT, SINTRAEMDES, and the SER in October. Regarding implementation of protection plans, the State reported that it was still awaiting the results of the risk assessments, although it did approve the provision of national airplane tickets for 13 of the beneficiaries. The State also indicated that the National Police had conducted different raids in the region, to dismantle self-defense and guerilla groups in the region. The National Human Rights Unit is responsible for the criminal investigations into the illegal placement of constraints on members of the CPDH and CUT of Risaralda.