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69. On September 10, 2002 the IACHR granted precautionary measures to protect the life and person of Miriam García, Blanca Guadalupe López, and attorney Dante Almaraz. The beneficiaries have received death threats as a result of their work to defend the husbands of Miriam García and Blanca Guadalupe López, who are being detained in Chihuahua and are accused of killing eleven women in Ciudad Juárez. [FN2] The petitioners reported that the attorney was killed by the judicial police in that city. Dr. Escobedo also reported that his representatives had been tortured. Dr. Dante Almaráz, in turn, claims that he is defending the detainees based on the fact that they were tortured to give false confessions. The parties regularly presented information to the Commission on implementation of the precautionary measures.

[FN2] For an explanation on the situation in Ciudad Juárez, please see the report of the Special Rapporteur for Women's Rights in Chapter VI of this Annual Report.
