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64. On September 30, 2003, the Commission granted precautionary measures on behalf of Edward Ernest Hartman in the context of petition No. 784/03 on the alleged violation of Articles II and XXVI of the American Declaration of the Rights and Duties of Man. The petitioners allege that Mr. Hartman was sentenced to death in 1994 in a judicial proceeding vitiated by irregularities. His execution was scheduled for October 3, 2003. In view of the situation, the IACHR asked the United States to suspend his execution while his petition was pending before the inter-American system. Otherwise, the eventual decision would be stripped of any efficacy. The Commission later learned that despite this request, Mr. Hartman was executed on October 3, 2003.