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68. On October 3, 2003, the Commission granted precautionary measures on behalf of Gustavo Azocar Alcalá, correspondent for the daily newspaper El Universal, in the state of Táchira. The information available indicates that Mr. Alcalá has been harassed on numerous occasions, including one time when firearms were shot at his vehicle, on May 29, 2003, in front of his home. In addition, it is noted that as of July 2003, he received a steady flow of phone calls, emails, and anonymous messages with death threats. In view of the risk to which he is exposed, facing, the Commission asked the Venezuelan State to adopt measures to protect the rights to life, personal integrity, and freedom of expression of journalist Gustavo Azocar Alcalá.