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32. On May 26, 2004, the Commission granted precautionary measures in favor of Héctor Ramírez Rubio, Jorge Vinicio Ramírez Rubio, Byron Alejandro Ramírez Rubio, Carol Stephanie Gudiel Morales, Blanca Estela Gudiel Morales, Ronald Estuardo Gudiel Morales, Mynor Iván Gudiel Morales, Carmen Roxana Morales de Gudiel, and Ronald Gudiel Morales. Available information indicates that the beneficiaries have been the targets of death threats and other acts of intimidation, in retaliation for a complaint filed against Efraín Ríos Montt and his followers because of the death of the journalist Héctor Ramírez Rubio. This death took place in a context of violence on July 24-25, 2003 when hooded mobs armed with sticks and stones protested in the streets of Guatemala City to support the registration of Efraín Ríos Montt as a candidate in the presidential elections. In view of the risk for the beneficiaries, the Commission requested the Guatemalan State to adopt the necessary measures to protect the life and personal safety of the above-mentioned persons and to report on the actions undertaken to investigate the threats made against them. The Commission continues to monitor the situation of the protected persons.