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27. On August 12, 2005, the IACHR granted precautionary measures in favor of six human rights defenders, Mr. Jean Enock Joseph, General Coordinator, Mr. Jean Ronald Registre, Assistant Coordinator, Mrs. Marie Guenine Noel, Assistant Secretary General, Mr. Michel Ange Louisus, Public Relations, Mr. Jean Hislain Frederic, and Mr. Donald Regis Fils, all of whom are members of the human rights organization Collectif des Notables de Cite Soleil (CONOCS). CONOCS is a human rights group working with the community of Cite Soleil, one of the largest slum areas in Port-au-Prince that has also witnessed an acute rise in violent crimes by armed gunmen who have assumed control over this neighborhood in the absence of state security forces. Available information indicates that CONOCS members have been the target of death threats and intimidation by gang members due to CONOCS public criticism of gang violence in Cite Soleil. CONOCS members alleged that they were being persecuted and actively pursued by gang members and they further alleged that they have been forced to abandon their homes in Cite Soleil and seek refuge in a town outside of the city. In view of the situation of the beneficiaries, the Commission asked the Haitian Government to take measures to guarantee the life and personal integrity of CONOCS members and to inform the Commission on the measures taken by the government. The Commission continues to monitor the situation of the beneficiaries.