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46. On November 27, 2006, the IACHR granted precautionary measures in favor of Guy LeGrande who was a prisoner in a detention center in the State of North Carolina, United States, under sentence of death. The precautionary measures were presented along with a petition concerning the alleged violation of Articles I, II, XVII, and XXVI of the American Declaration, which is being processed as No. P1282-06. The information available states that Mr. LeGrande suffers from mental disability in spite of which he was allowed by the authorities to conduct his own defense during a trial which concluded in the application of the death penalty. The petition also questions the impartiality of those who took part in the trial, particularly from the point of view of the accused's racial origin, to the extent that is incompatible with the provisions of Article II of the American Declaration. In view of these antecedents, the IACHR requested that the Government of the United States adopt the measures necessary to protect the life and physical integrity of the beneficiary and not impede the processing of the above-mentioned claim lodged before the inter-American system.