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13. On September 4, 2008, the IACHR granted precautionary measures for Rafael Marulanda López, Diego Fernando Meneses García and Jairo Ortega Osorio, members of the Red de Apoyo en Derechos Humanos y Defensoría Social [Human Rights Support Network and People's Ombudsman's Office] in Colombia. The request seeking precautionary measures alleges that the members of this organization had received death threats and that on July 16, 2008, the lifeless body of Guillermo Rivera was found, showing signs of torture. Mr. Rivera had been an advisor to the organized labor groups on whose behalf the Red de Apoyo. The Commission requested that the Colombian state adopt the measures necessary to guarantee the life and physical integrity of the beneficiaries of the provisional measures, and report the measures taken to conduct a judicial inquiry into the events that warrant enforcement of precautionary measures. The Commission continues to monitor the situation.