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21. On November 3, 2008, the IACHR granted the request for precautionary measures on behalf of Mr. José Pelicó Pérez and his family. The request seeking precautionary measures alleges that the beneficiaries have been receiving threats and have been followed since April 2008, presumably because of Mr. Pelicó Pérez' work as an investigative journalist with the Centro de Reportes Informativos sobre Guatemala (CERIGUA) [Center of News Reports on Guatemala]. The request states further that on October 5, 2008, Mr. Pelicó's wife and son had been threatened with a firearm. Given the situation, the IACHR asked the Guatemalan state to take the measures necessary to preserve the life and physical integrity of the beneficiaries and to report the measures taken to conduct a judicial inquiry into the events that warranted the adoption of precautionary measures. The Commission continues to monitor the situation.