

DECISION No. 15/1996 (PERU)

Communication addressed to the Government of Peru  
on 3 October 1995.

Concerning: Walter Ledesma Rebaza and Luis Mellet, on the one  
hand and the Republic of Peru, on the other.

1. The Working Group on Arbitrary Detention, in accordance with the revised methods of work adopted by it and in order to carry out its task with discretion, objectivity and independence, forwarded to the Government concerned the above-mentioned communication received by it and found to be admissible, in respect of allegations of arbitrary detention reported to have occurred.
2. The Working Group notes with appreciation the information forwarded by the Government concerned in respect of the case of Walter Ledesma within 90 days of the transmittal of the letter by the Working Group.
3. The Working Group notes with concern that till date no information has been forwarded by the Government concerned in respect of the situation of Luis Mellet Castillo. With the expiration of more than ninety (90) days of the transmittal of the letter by the Working Group, it is left with no option but to proceed to render its decision in respect of the case of the alleged arbitrary detention of Luis Mellet.
4. The Working Group also notes that the Government concerned has informed the Group (and the source has confirmed) that Walter Ledesma has been released.
5. The Working Group further notes that the source has confirmed that Luis Mellet has been released.
6. In the context of the information received and having examined the available information, the Working Group is of the opinion that no special circumstances warrant consideration by the Group of the nature of the detention of Walter Ledesma and Luis Mellet.
7. The Working Group, without prejudging the nature of the detention, decides to file the cases of Walter Ledesma and Luis Mellet under the terms of paragraph 14.1 (a) of its revised methods of work.

Adopted on 23 May 1996.