

DECISION No. 26/1996 (VENEZUELA)

Communication addressed to the Government of Venezuela
on 20 February 1996.

Concerning: Carlos José González, Osmán José Colina Hernández,
Guillermo Tamayo Rivas, Juan José Villamizar, Luis Gerónimo Valásquez
and José Vargas Pérez, on the one hand, and the Republic of Venezuela,
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 cases in question within 90 days of the transmittal of the letter by the Working Group.
3. The Working Group further notes that the Government concerned has informed the Group and the source has confirmed, that the above-mentioned persons are no longer in detention.
4. In the context of the information received and having examined the available information, the Working Group, without prejudging the nature of the detention, decides to file the cases of Carlos José González, Osmán José Colina Hernández, Guillermo Tamayo Rivas, Juan José Villamizar, Luis Gerónimo Velásquez and José Vargas Pérez under the terms of paragraph 14.1 (a) of its methods of work.

Adopted on 17 September 1996.