

OPINION No. 30/2005 (BRAZIL)

Communication addressed to the Government on 8 December 2004.

Concerning Mr. Urzulas Araújo de Souza, Mr. José dos Passos Rodrigues dos Santos, Mr. Cláudio Bezerra da Costa and Mr. Junior Alves de Carvalho.

The State is a party to the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights.

1. (Same text as paragraph 1 of opinion No. 20/2004.)
2. The Working Group conveys its appreciation to the Government for having submitted information concerning the case.
3. The Working Group notes that the Government has informed it that in February 2005, the judge of the Agrarian Court of Altamira granted provisional liberty to Mr. Urzulas Araújo de Souza and Mr. Cláudio Bezerra da Costa. Subsequently, the source informed the Working Group that the Supreme Federal Court, on 8 June 2005, considering the excessive time in which these persons were incarcerated, decided to grant provisional liberty to Mr. José dos Passos Rodrigues dos Santos and Mr. Junior Alves de Carvalho.
4. Having examined all the information submitted to it, and without prejudging the arbitrary nature of the detention, the Working Group, on the basis of paragraph 17 (a) of its revised methods of work, decides to file the case.

Adopted on 2 September 2005