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**RE: Forced evictions in five camps for internally displaced persons
Precautionary Measures no. MC-367-10
Haiti**

Dear Sirs:

On behalf of the Inter-American Commission on Human Rights (IACtHR), I am pleased to address you with respect to your request for precautionary measures regarding Forced evictions in five camps for internally displaced persons in Haiti.

I also wish to inform you that in a note of today's date, the Commission addressed the State of Haiti pursuant to Article 25 of the Commission's Rules of Procedure in order to request the adoption of urgent measures in favor of the above-mentioned person. Specifically, the Commission requested that the Government of Haiti take the following measures (reproduced in the official language of the State):

1. Adopter un moratoire sur les expulsions des camps de déplacés internes jusqu'à ce que le nouveau gouvernement entre en fonction;
2. Assurer que les personnes qui ont été illégalement expulsées des camps soient relogées dans des endroits remplissant un standard minimum de salubrité et de sécurité;
3. Garantir l'accès des déplacés internes à un recours effectif devant les tribunaux et autres autorités compétentes;

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4. Implémenter des mesures de sécurité effectives afin de sauvegarder l'intégrité physique des habitants des camps, garantissant une protection spéciale aux femmes et enfants;
5. Former le personnel de maintien de l'ordre aux droits des personnes déplacées, en particulier au droit à ne pas être expulsé par la force; et
6. Assurer l'accès des agences de coopération internationale aux camps de déplacés internes..

In its communication to Haiti, the Commission also requested that the State provide the Commission with information concerning compliance with these measures within 20 days of receipt of the communication, and thereafter on a periodic basis. In view of the observations of the parties on compliance, the Commission will decide whether to extend or lift the measures.

The Commission wishes to note that in accordance with Article 25(9) of the Commission's Rules of Procedure that the granting of these measures and their adoption by the State shall not constitute a prejudgment on the merits of a case.

The IACHR posts on its Web site (www.cidh.org) a summary of the precautionary measures that have been granted. The summary identifies the beneficiaries of the precautionary measures by name, with the exception of children and victims of sexual violence. In cases in which the beneficiaries of these precautionary measures prefer that their complete name not be made public on the Web site, they are required to immediately inform the IACHR in writing.

Sincerely,



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