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60. On October 11, 2002 the Commission asked the State of Guatemala to adopt precautionary measures to protect the life and person of Egon Hidalgo Salvador y Salvador, a member of Pastoral de Movilidad Humana of the Diocese of San Marcos, municipality of San Marcos, who had received repeated death threats. According to information obtained by the Special Rapporteur for Migrant Workers and their Families, on September 27 and October 1, 2002 Mr. Salvador y Salvador received anonymous telephone calls from a person who, in clear opposition to the beneficiary's work on behalf of the rights of migrant workers, told him to stop those activities or suffer serious consequences, including death. One piece of background information borne in mind by the Commission was that Mr. Salvador y Salvador was beaten by three individuals at night when returning home in the municipality of Comitancillo. In a note dated November 19, 2002 the State informed the IACHR that an agreement had been reached with the beneficiary to adopt perimeter surveillance at his workplace and residence by the National Civil Police as a protective measure. Later, on January 17, 2003 the State indicated that police authorities in the department of San Marcos continue to protect the beneficiary and that no new acts of intimidation or threats had been reported. The Commission notes that the Guatemalan State has fulfilled the precautionary measures requested.