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12. On February 9, 2006, IACHR granted precautionary measures on behalf of the adolescents detained in CAJE (Center for Specialist Juvenile Care) in the city of Brasilia. The available information indicate that since 1992 there have been a series of deaths and physical injuries caused by the conditions in which the adolescents are detained in CAJE. Specifically, it is alleged that between 1997 and 1998 nine adolescents have died, some of them after having been tortured; that between 2003 and 2004, five more died, and towards the end of 2005, the lifeless body of Iván Marques (16) was found in his cell with signs of torture and mutilation. The Commission requested that the State, inter alia, adopt the measures necessary to resolve overcrowding in the center in line with minimum international standards; ensure the safety of detainees by providing security staff who are trained to deal with adolescent detainees; eliminate the use of indefinite detention without access to the yard or the prohibition of family visits as disciplinary measures; separate detainees according to the gravity of the crimes of which they are accused, their age, and in line with each one's disciplinary record, making allowances for the conflicts which may exist between detainees themselves; publish a list of the causes of the detention of each of the adolescents in the Center; and ensure access to appropriate and effective judicial remedies, in order to manage the conditions of detention, and ensure the legality of the causes that justify their detention.