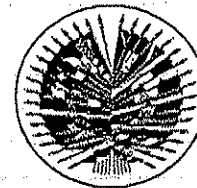


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ORGANIZATION OF AMERICAN STATES
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20006 U.S.A.

August 20, 2008

Ref.: Djamel Ameziane
Precautionary Measures no. 211-08
United States

Dear Sirs and Madams:

On behalf of the Inter-American Commission on Human Rights (IACHR), I am pleased to address you with respect to your request for precautionary measures in favor of Djamel Ameziane in United States.

I also wish to inform you that in a note of today's date, the Commission addressed the State of United States 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 that the Government of United States.


1. Immediately take all measures necessary to ensure that Mr. Djamel Ameziane is not subjected to cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment or torture during the course of interrogations or at any other time, including but not limited to all corporal punishment and punishment that may be prejudicial to Mr. Ameziane's physical or mental health;
2. Immediately take all measures necessary to ensure that Mr. Djamel Ameziane receives prompt and effective medical attention for physical and psychological ailments and that such medical attention is not made contingent upon any condition;
3. Take all measures necessary to ensure that, prior to any potential transfer or release, Mr. Djamel Ameziane is provided an adequate, individualized examination of his circumstances through a fair and transparent process before a competent, independent and impartial decision maker; and
4. Take all measures necessary to ensure that Mr. Djamel Ameziane is not transferred or removed to a country where there are substantial grounds for believing that he would be in danger of being subjected to torture or other mistreatment, and that diplomatic assurances are not used to circumvent the United States' non-refoulement obligations.

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In its communication to United States, the Commission also requested that the State provide the Commission with information concerning compliance with these measures within 15 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.

Sincerely yours,



Santiago A. Canton
Executive Secretary