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ARGENTINA IS FOUND RESPONSIBLE FOR A DELAY IN PROCESSING AN APPEAL FOR LEGAL PROTECTION REGARDING A JUDGE'S COMPENSATION

San José, Costa Rica, August 11, 2023. – In the judgment in the Case of *Boleso v. Argentina* notified today, the Inter-American Court of Human Rights declared that Argentina is responsible for the violation of the right to judicial guarantees and the right to legal protection, in relation to Article 1.1 of the American Convention on Human Rights, to the detriment of Héctor Hugo Boleso.

The official summary of the Judgment can be accessed [here](#) and the full text of the Judgment can be accessed [here](#).

Héctor Hugo Boleso was a labor judge in the Province of Corrientes in February 1990 when he filed an appeal for legal protection regarding the altering of the intangibility of his compensation due to hyperinflation. In August of 1992, he received a favorable ruling through a decision of second instance. However, the amount owed to him was not paid until March of 2011, after the processing various motions and several periods of procedural inactivity.

The Court determined that Mr. Héctor Hugo Boleso was not heard within a reasonable term. In addition, in this specific case the appeal for legal protection was neither easy nor fast. Consequently, it declared the violation of Articles 8.1 and 25.1 of the American Convention in relation to Article 1.1 thereof.

In view of the violations declared, the Court ordered the publication of the Judgment, an official summary, and the payment of pecuniary and nonpecuniary damages as well as legal costs and expenses.

For this Judgment the Court was composed of the following judges: Ricardo C. Pérez Manrique, President (Uruguay); Eduardo Ferrer Mac-Gregor Poisot, Vice President (Mexico); Humberto Antonio Sierra Porto (Colombia); Nancy Hernández López (Costa Rica); Patricia Pérez Goldberg (Chile) and Rodrigo Mudrovitsch (Brazil).

Judge Verónica Gómez, who is of Argentinean nationality, did not participate in the processing, deliberation or signing of this Judgment, in conformity with Articles 19.2 of the Statute and 19(1) of the Rules of Procedure of the Court.

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