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INTER-AMERICAN COURT OF HUMAN RIGHTS WILL HOLD ITS 180th REGULAR SESSION IN PARAGUAY

San José, Costa Rica, September 2, 2025. The Inter-American Court of Human Rights will hold in Paraguay the first week of its 180th Regular Session from September 22 to 26, 2025. Subsequently, from September 29 to October 3, the Court will continue the session virtually to deliberate on its decisions.

During the week in Asunción, the I/A Court HR will hold an international seminar, three public hearings on contentious cases and five private hearings on monitoring compliance with judgment in cases regarding the host country. Protocol meetings will also be held.

The Regular Session to be held in Paraguay coincides with the 20th anniversary of the Court's sessions held outside of its seat. In fact, Paraguay was the first State that received the Inter-American Court to hold session in its territory.

The hearings will be held at the Justice Palace of Asunción, in the Serafina Dávalos Auditorium, and the academic seminar will be held at the National University of Asunción. Information on the activities and schedule are available [here](#):

I. Opening Ceremony of the 180th Regular Session

The Opening Ceremony of the Regular Session will take place on September 22, at 10:00 a.m. (Paraguay time). The event will be broadcast through the Court's social media channels.

II. International seminar and book presentation

On that same Monday, from 4:00 pm to 7:00 pm (Paraguay time), the international seminar "The impact of the decisions of the Inter-American Court of Human Rights" will be held at the main lecture hall of the Faculty of Law of the National University of Asunción. The Judges of the Court, renowned Human Rights and International Law experts will participate in the seminar.

The seminar is open to the public. To attend in person please sign-up beforehand at this [link](#). The seminar will be broadcast through the Court's social media channels; no need to register beforehand.

At 7:00 PM (Paraguay time), the presentation of the book "The Inter-American Court of Human Rights and Paraguay: impacts, challenges and opportunities" will take place. It is a collection of works that was directed by Judge Diego Moreno Rodríguez, which includes more than 40 contributions from individuals in various fields in Paraguay, who analyze, reflect on and give their perspective on the impact and



challenges of the I/A Court HR in the country. The President and Vice-President of the Inter-American Court of Human Rights will make the official presentation. This activity is open to the public; no need to register beforehand.

III. Public Hearings

The Court will hold three public hearings in the following contentious cases:

a. *Case of Gamboa García et al. v. Peru*¹

This case concerns the alleged international responsibility of the State of Peru for the detention, torture and rape of Georgina Gamboa García, a Quechua indigenous woman, in 1981, when she was 17 years old; the lack of due diligence in the investigation of the facts and punishment of those responsible; and the violation of the right to mental and moral integrity of her next of kin.

The public hearing will be held on September 24, at 8:30 a.m. (Paraguay time) at the seat of the Supreme Court of Justice in Asunción. To attend in person you may sign up beforehand [here](#) or in person on the day of the hearing. The public hearing will be broadcast through the Inter-American Court's social media channels.

The order whereby the hearing was convened can be accessed [here](#)

b. *Case of Moliné O'Connor v. Argentina*²

This case concerns the alleged international responsibility of the State for the dismissal of Eduardo José Antonio Moliné O'Connor as Justice of the Supreme Court in 2003. The claims include violation of independence of the judiciary, of the right to remain in office, judicial guarantees, principle of freedom from ex post facto laws, the right to remain in office in equal conditions and the right to judicial protection, to the detriment of Mr. Moliné O'Connor.

The public hearing will be held on September 25, at 8:30 a.m. (Paraguay time) at the seat of the Supreme Court of Justice in Asunción. To attend in person you may sign up beforehand [here](#) or in person on the day of the hearing. The public hearing will be broadcast through the Inter-American Court's social media channels.

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c. Case of *Mães de Cabo Frio v. Brazil*³

This case concerns the alleged international responsibility of the State of Brazil for violations that took place during the investigations into the death of 96 babies between June 1996 and March 1997, due to alleged medical negligence of the personnel of the Pediatric Clinic of Região dos Lagos (“CLIPÉL”), located in the city of Cabo Frio (State of Rio de Janeiro).

The public hearing will be held on September 26, at 8:30 a.m. (Paraguay time) at the seat of the Supreme Court of Justice in Asunción. To attend in person you may sign up beforehand [here](#) or in person on the day of the hearing. The public hearing will be broadcast through the Inter-American Court’s social media channels.

The order whereby the hearing was convened can be accessed [here](#)

IV. Hearings on Monitoring Compliance with Judgment

The Court will hold private hearings on monitoring compliance with judgment in the following cases:

- a. *Case of the Yakye Axa Indigenous Community v. Paraguay*
- b. *Case of the Sawhoyamaya Indigenous Community v. Paraguay*
- c. *Case of the Xákmok Kásek Indigenous Community v. Paraguay*
- d. *Case of Leguizamón Zaván et al v. Paraguay*
- e. *Case of Córdoba v. Paraguay*

V. Protocol Meetings

The I/A Court HR will perform several protocol visits that will be publicly announced during the days of the session.

¹ Judge Alberto Borea Odría, of Peruvian nationality, will not participate in the public hearing in this case, in conformity with Article 19 of the Rules of Procedure of the Court.

² Judge Verónica Gómez, of Argentinian nationality, will not participate in the public hearing in this case, in conformity with Article 19 of the Rules of Procedure of the Court.

³ Judge Rodrigo Mudrovitsch, of Brazilian nationality, will not participate in the deliberation of this judgment, in conformity with Art. 19 of the Rules of Procedure of the Court.



The Court's composition for this Regular Session will be as follows: Judge Nancy Hernández López, President (Costa Rica); Judge Rodrigo Mudrovitsch, Vice-President (Brazil); Judge Ricardo C. Pérez Manrique (Uruguay), Judge Verónica Gómez (Argentina), Judge Patricia Pérez Goldberg (Chile), Judge Alberto Borea Odria (Peru) and Judge Diego Moreno Rodríguez (Paraguay).

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