



# Comisión Nacional de los Derechos Humanos

## México

### **Recommendation 001/2010**

The following is a synopsis of the recommendation emitted by the CNDH . The complete version may be consulted on this institution's web page.

**Mexico, D. F., 26th of January, 2010**

**Case: Human Rights violations perpetrated by the Preventive Federal Police Force in Matamoros, Tamaulipas**

**Authority responsible:  
Federal Secretary of Public Safety**

The National Commission emitted Recommendation 001/2010 about the alleged violations of the human rights of V1, V2 and V3 which occurred in Matamoros, Tamaulipas, on the 15th of September 2008, when elements of the then named Federal Preventive Police, performing patrolling activities, tried to stop V1 and V2 shooting them with firearms, also causing the death of V3, who was circumstantially present at the scene.

The National Commission recommended proceeding to the reparation of the damage following the terms established in article 20, paragraph B, of the Political Constitution of the United Mexican States, as well as the precepts recognized in the Declaration about the Fundamental Principles of Justice for the Victims of Crime and Abuse of Power, inflicted upon the family members of V3, as a consequence of the institutional responsibility incurred by personnel of the Federal Preventive Police, based on the considerations suggested in the body of the present recommendation.

Also, it recommended designing a Comprehensive Training and Formation Program on the Subject of Human Rights, focused on the officers and the middle and higher ranks of the Federal Police belonging to that Secretary; instructing Federal Police personnel which participates in operatives and detentions so that they abstain from the use of force due to those actions. This will avoid the practice of torture, harsh punishments or any other cruel, inhumane or degrading treatment for the people they detain.

It will all be done in accordance with the terms established by the Code of Conduct for Law Enforcement Officials and the Basic Principles for the Use of Force and Firearms by Law Enforcement Officials and general recommendation No. 12, About the Illegitimate Use of Force and Firearms by Law Enforcement Officials or Public Servants, designing for such purpose, the protocols and models necessary to eradicate the bad habits of the public servants under their command, sending this National Commission the necessary proof to accredit their compliance.

In order to fully collaborate with the Mexican National Human Rights Commission, the initiation and processing of a claim promoted by this institution against Federal Preventive Police personnel who intervened in the facts being consigned in this case; as well as in the investigations derived from the prior investigation, motive of the facts, is presented by the Mexican National Human Rights Commission before the Attorney General's Office, and because federal public servants are involved, it is required that the proof with which their compliance is accredited is passed on to this National Commission.