



# Comisión Nacional de los Derechos Humanos

## México

### **Recommendation 38/2011**

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**Matter: The case of the loss of life of V1 and the cruel treatment of the child V2**

**Authority Responsible: The Secretary of National Defense**

The National Commission of Human Rights has reviewed the evidence and details presented by the case CNDH/2/2010/811/Q, relating to the events surrounding the loss of life of V1 and the cruel treatment of V2. On the 12th of February 2010 at approximately 20:00 hours, V1 and V2 were walking near the gas station located on El Calvario Street, in the community of Tlacotepec, in the municipality of General Heliodoro Castillo, Guerrero, when a military vehicle pulled up beside them and various members of the Mexican Army descended from said vehicle. The Army members then pointed their guns at V1 and V2, before detaining and beating them. Following this, the victims were taken in the vehicle to a football pitch around one kilometre from the aforementioned gas station, in the area known as La Antena, at which point the abuse continued, resulting minutes later in the loss of life of V1. This National Commission has observed that the death of V1 was caused by a severe traumatic brain injury induced by the actions of the 50th Infantry Battalion of Chilpancingo, Guerrero, of the Secretary of National Defense. It can be seen that these personnel violated the right to life, integrity and personal security, legality and legal security, as set out by articles 1, 14 (second paragraph) and 16 (first paragraph) of the Political Constitution of the United States of Mexico, as a result of which this National Commission issues its Recommendation 38/2011.