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México

Recommendation 42/2011

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Matter: The events which occurred in affront of V1 and V2 in the municipality of Anáhuac, Nuevo León

Authority Responsible: The Secretary of National Defense

The National Commission of Human Rights has reviewed the elements and evidence presented in the case CNDH/2/2010/3078/Q, deriving from the complaint filed by Q1 with respect to events which occurred on the 3rd of March 2010 in affront of V1 and V2, in the municipality of Anáhuac, in the state of Nuevo León. On that 3rd of March 2010 at around 12:15 and 12:30 hours at the crossroads of the streets Don Martín and Maza de Juárez there arose a clash between elements of the Mexican Army and organized crime groups, through which elements SP1 and SP2 lost their lives along with civilians V1, V2 and two further unidentified casualties. During this confrontation between the military elements and members of organized crime, V1 and V2 hid in their vehicle which was stationed at the scene. Once the firing had finished, these individuals descended their vehicle and approached the military personnel with their hands raised, asking for help. The Military personnel only fired at them however, knocking them to the floor before performing the “coup de grace” and taking their lives. The Military then cordoned off the zone, before taking the bodies and placing firearms in their hands. The CNDH considers this a violation of the human rights to life, legality and legal security, humane treatment, arbitrary use of public force, access to justice and honor as a result of acts consisting of the claiming of life, arbitrary use of public force and abuse of authority. The National Commission has released the Recommendation 42/2011 as a result.