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THE INTER-AMERICAN COURT OF HUMAN RIGHTS CELEBRATED ITS 63RD SPECIAL SESSION



San José, Costa Rica, May 5, 2022. The Inter-American Court held its 63rd Special Session from April 27 to 29, 2022. The session was held virtually.

During this Special Session, the former composition of the Court continued to hear and deliberate on the Request for an Advisory Opinion on Differentiated Approaches in the Matter of Persons Deprived of Liberty. The Court will continue to hear this Advisory Opinion.

I. Request for an Advisory Opinion on Differentiated Approaches regarding Persons Deprived of Liberty.

The Request for an Advisory Opinion on Differentiated Approaches regarding Persons Deprived of Liberty was filed by the Inter-American Commission on Human Rights in order for the Court to carry out a joint interpretation of several Inter-American regulations on the differentiated obligations of the States, in order to address the situation of real inequality of groups at particular risk in the context of deprivation of liberty. It will address, in particular, pregnant, postpartum and lactating women, LGBT people, indigenous people, the elderly, and children living with their mothers in prison.

You can learn more about the request for an Advisory Opinion [here](#).

The Court's composition for this Special Session was as follows: Judge Elizabeth Odio Benito, President (Costa Rica), Judge Patricio Pazmiño Freire, Vice President (Ecuador), Judge Humberto Antonio Sierra Porto (Colombia), Judge Eduardo Ferrer Mac-Gregor Poisot, (México), Judge Eugenio Raúl Zaffaroni (Argentina), and Judge Ricardo Pérez Manrique (Uruguay). Judge Eduardo Vio Grossi (Chile) was unable to participate due to reasons of force majeure.

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