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## **CHILE COMPLIED WITH THE JUDGMENT IN THE CASE OF TEACHERS OF CHAÑARAL AND OTHER MUNICIPALITIES**

*San José, Costa Rica, July 10, 2025.* In conformity with that set forth in the Order on Monitoring Compliance with Judgment issued by the Court on July 1, 2025, the Republic of Chile has complied with the execution of all the reparations ordered in the Judgment of November 10, 2021. Therefore, the Inter-American Court decided to conclude and archive the case. For more information, the Judgment of November 10, 2021, can be accessed [here](#) and the Order of July 1, 2025, which declares the closing of the case, can be accessed [here](#).

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On November 10, 2021, the Inter-American Court issued a judgment in which it declared the international responsibility of the State of Chile for the violation of several rights to the detriment of 846 teachers of the Municipalities of Chañaral, Chanco, Pelluhue, Parral, Vallenar and Cauquenes. Specifically, the Court considered that the processes of execution of the final rulings in favor of 846 teachers, which sentenced the municipalities to pay a special allowance, was irregular and inefficient, which constitutes a violation by the State of the judicial guarantees, judicial protection and the right to property of the teachers. Moreover, taking into account that the victims are all over 60 years old and one fifth of them passed away while waiting for over 25 years for the execution of those judgments, the Court considered that the State disregarded its reinforced duty to guarantee due diligence in access to justice for elderly persons and celerity in proceedings in which individuals in that situation of vulnerability are participants.

Based on the aforementioned violations, the Court ordered in its judgment the following six reparation measures:

- i. to pay the 846 victims or right holders the sums owed for restitution;
- ii. to publish and disseminate the judgment and the official summary;
- iii. to hold a public act of recognition of international responsibility;
- iv. to create and implement a plan for training and raising awareness among judicial operators on the access to justice of elderly persons;
- v. to pay the 846 victims compensation for non-pecuniary damages;
- vi. to reimburse to the victims' representatives the costs and expenses.

## Monitoring Compliance with Judgment

In the monitoring of compliance stage, the Court issued four orders, on November 11, 2022, June 26, 2023, October 15, 2024, and July 1, 2025, whereby it confirmed that Chile fully complied with the six reparation measures ordered in the judgment and declared the closing of the case. The orders can be viewed [here](#).

During this stage, the Court valued the efforts made by the State and the work performed jointly with the victims' representatives, specifically during the first two years after the judgment was notified, to comply with the reparations ordered therein. It noted the celerity in compliance with the measures of restitution and compensation of non-pecuniary damages, as well as the importance given to the situation of vulnerability of the victims in this case due to their age.

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The Court's composition for the Order of July 1, 2025, was 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 Alberto Borea Odría (Peru) and Judge Diego Moreno Rodríguez (Paraguay).

Judge Patricia Pérez Goldberg, of Chilean nationality, did not participate in the deliberation of this order, in conformity with that set forth in Article 19(1) of the Rules of Procedure of the Court.

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