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Death Threats

Brazil: Wolmer do Nascimento (Rio Coordinator, Movimento Nacional dos  
Meninos e Meninas da Rua, National Street  
Children's Movement)

Ana Teresa do Nascimento, aged 2 ) Children of Wolmer  
Wolmer do Nascimento Filho, aged 3 ) do Nascimento

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Wolmer do Nascimento, a worker with street children who had denounced death squad killings of minors, had received death threats directed against his children and had also been threatened in the street by a man with a gun. As a result he had sent his children away from Duque de Caxias. Amnesty International had appealed that he and his family should receive special police protection.

On 21 November Brazil's Justice Minister ordered that Wolmer do Nascimento receive 24-hour-a-day protection by the Federal Police. Neither he nor his family has returned to live in Duque de Caxias. He continues his work on behalf of street children from an office in Rio de Janeiro.

The street children's refuge that Wolmer do Nascimento directed in Duque de Caxias continues to function on a precarious basis. After hearing about the threats to his life, some of the children abandoned the refuge and are now living on the streets of Rio de Janeiro.

As a result of international publicity, Wolmer do Nascimento is now known throughout Brazil. He reports that more than 1,300 letters from Amnesty International members concerned about his safety have arrived at his Rio office.

No further action is required at this time. Thanks to all who appealed on behalf of Wolmer do Nascimento and his children.