

HUMAN RIGHTS COMMITTEE

R. M. v. Trinidad and Tobago

Communication No. 476/1991

23 July 1992

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RULE 86 DECISION - INTERIM MEASURES

Submitted by: R. M. (name deleted) [represented by counsel]

Alleged victim: The author

State party: Trinidad and Tobago

Date of communication: 3 October 1991 (initial submission)

Documentation references: Prior decisions - none

Date of present decision: 23 July 1992

Decision under rule 86 and rule 91

The Human Rights Committee,

Noting that the communication is submitted by a person under sentence of death, R. M.,

Observing that a request for information addressed to a State party under rule 91 of the rules of procedure does not imply that any decision has been reached on the question of admissibility, and that the application of rule 86 does not imply a determination on the merits of the communication,

Decides:

1. That the communication be transmitted, under rule 91 of the rules of procedure, to the State party, requesting information and observations relevant to the question of the admissibility of the communication. If the State party contends that domestic remedies have not been exhausted, it is requested to give details of the effective remedies available to the author in the circumstances of his case;

2. That the State party be requested, under rule 86 of the Committee's rules of procedure, not to carry out the death sentence against the author while his communication is under consideration by the Committee;

3. That the State party be informed that its information and observations should reach the Human Rights Committee in care of the Centre for Human Rights, United Nations Office at Geneva, within two months of the date of the request;

4. That the Secretary-General transmit any information or observations received to the author of the communication as soon as possible to enable him to comment thereon if he so wishes. Any such comments should reach the Human Rights Committee in care of the Centre for Human Rights, United Nations Office at Geneva, within four weeks of the date of transmittal;

5. That this decision be communicated to the State party, the author and his counsel.

*/ All persons handling this document are requested to respect and observe its confidential nature.

[Done in English, French, Russian and Spanish, the English text being the original version.]