

CHAPTER II

THE PETITION AND CASE SYSTEM

A. Introduction

1. This chapter refers to the work of the Inter-American Commission on Human Rights in 2016 in relation to the petition and case system.

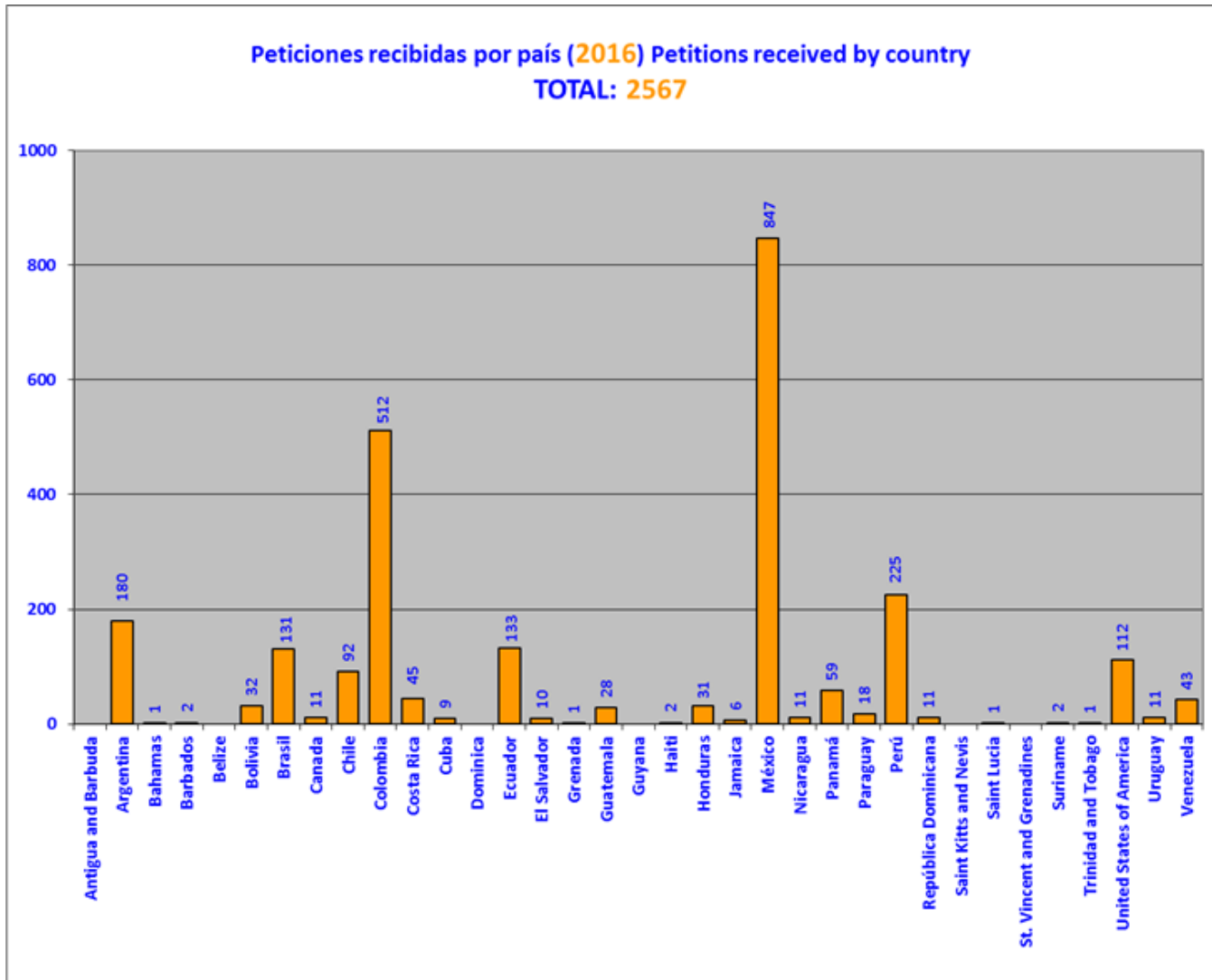
2. Section B includes statistical information to provide a general overview of the different activities carried out by the Inter-American Commission on Human Rights. First it presents data concerning the cases and petitions being processed. These comprise the greater volume of the Commission's work. "Cases" is taken as meaning all those petitions declared admissible by means of a report on admissibility. "Petitions" is taken as meaning all those complaints that have been transmitted to the state involved but in which no report on admissibility has been issued. This report includes the statistics of the total number of petitions received by the Commission in 2016, indicating the number of petitions received by country, as well as a comparison of the number of petitions received in 2016 in relation to each of the last twenty years. It also includes statistical information on the number of petitions it decided to transmit to the States, and the number of petitions being processed, also by country. The statistical information reflects as well the number of requests for precautionary requests received by the Commission in 2016, as well as the number of precautionary measures the Commission decided to grant during that same period. The statistics indicate how many reports on admissibility, inadmissibility, friendly settlement, archive, and the merits the Commission published in 2016. The section also includes statistical tables on the Commission's activity before the Inter-American Court. Finally, statistics are included on the number of hearings the Commission held in 2016.

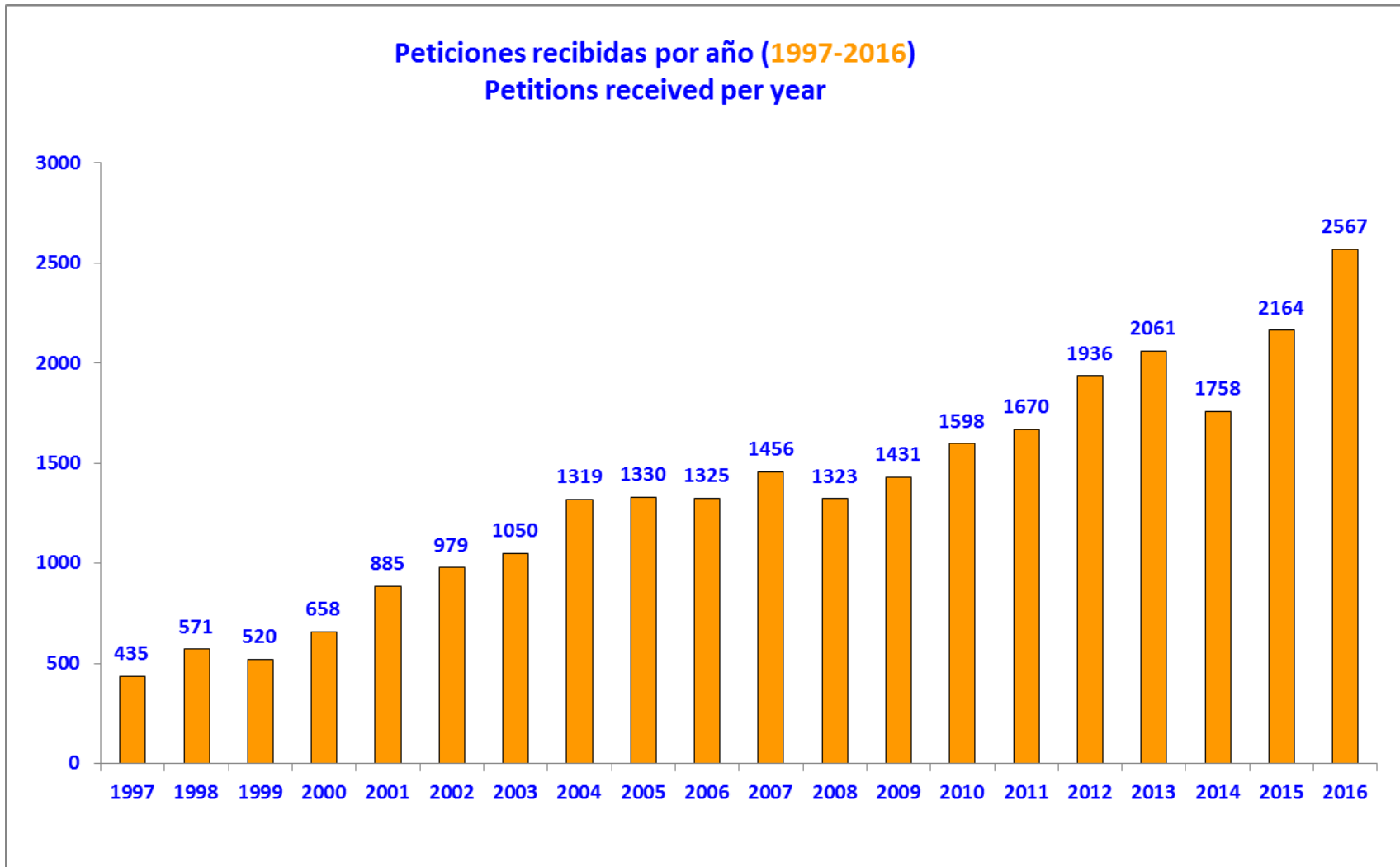
3. Section C has two parts. The first, section C.1, contains an overview of the resolutions on precautionary measures granted or extended by the IACHR in 2016, in relation to the various member States, under Article 25 of its Rules of Procedure. The resolutions set forth the parameters used by the IACHR in determining the requisites of urgency, seriousness and irreparable nature of each specific case.

4. The second part (section C.2) includes all the reports adopted by the Commission on admissibility, inadmissibility, merits, friendly settlement, or archive of petitions and cases in the period covered by this report. This section contains a total of 74 reports: 43 declaring petitions admissible; 2 reports declaring petitions inadmissible; 8 reports on friendly settlement; 16 reports on merits, and 5 reports on publication. The IACHR also decided to set aside 77 petitions and cases, which were archived.

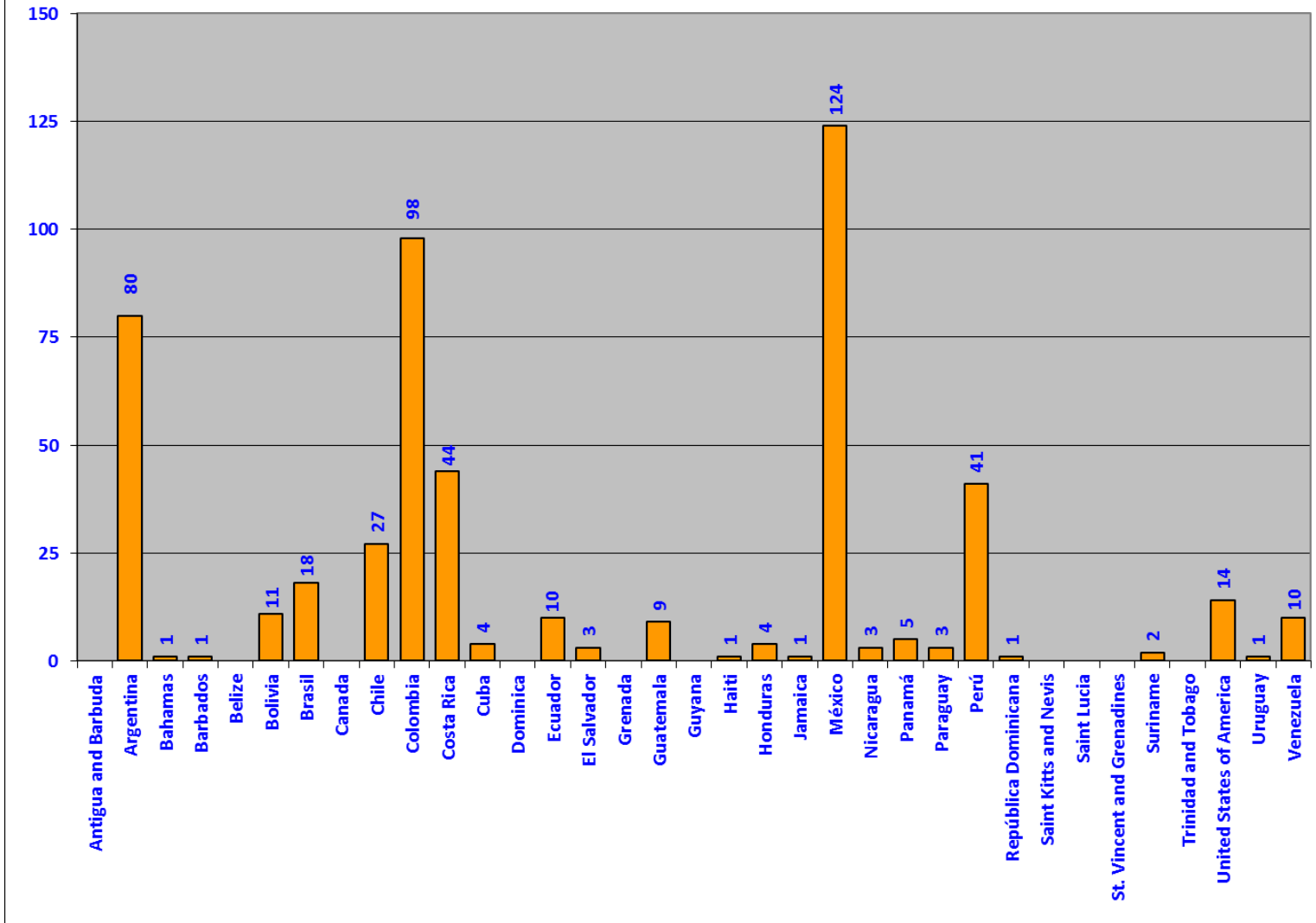
5. Section D includes an analysis of compliance by the States with the recommendations contained in the reports on individual cases published in the Annual Reports since 2000, in keeping with Article 47 of the Commission's Rules of Procedure.

B. Statistics

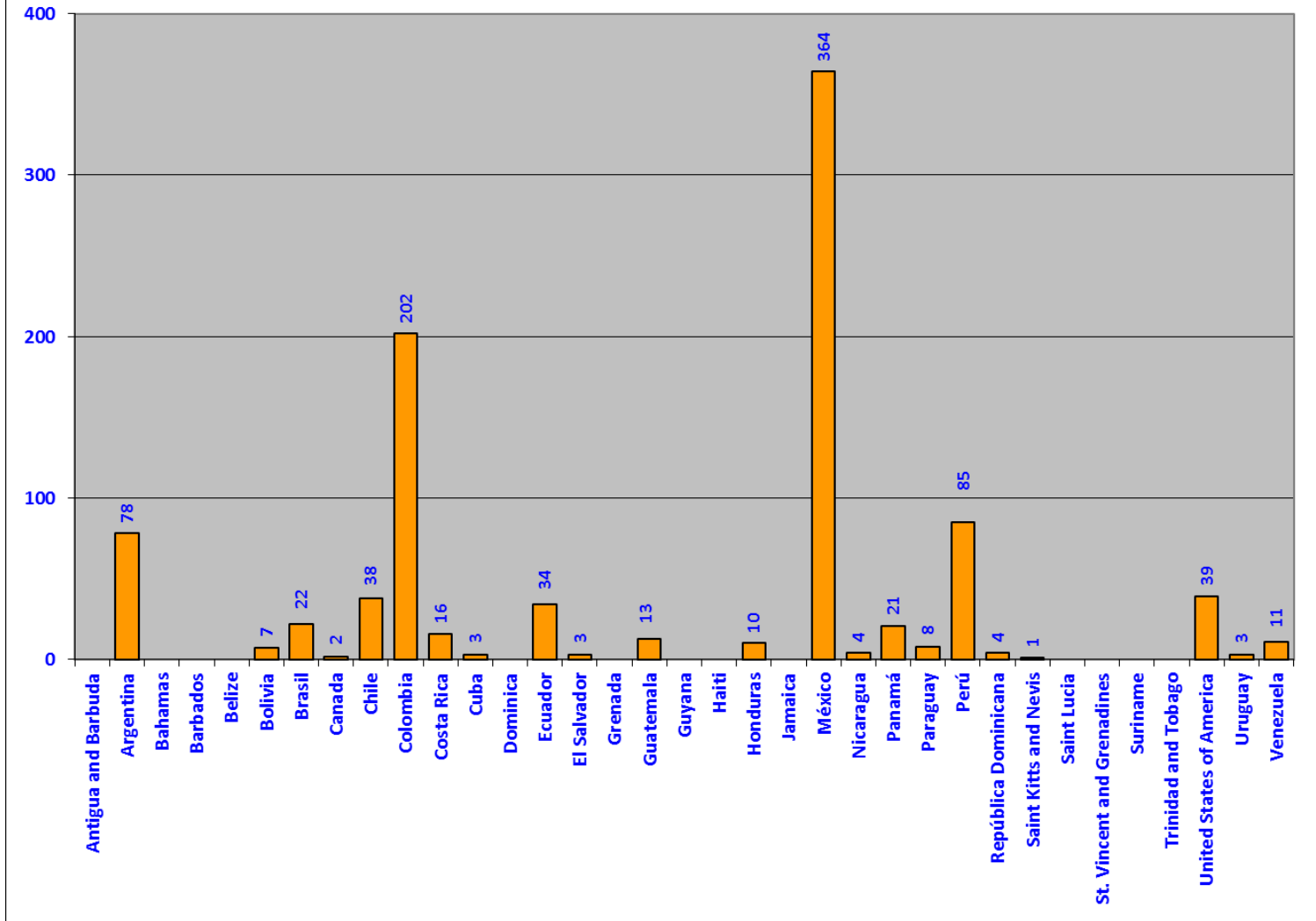




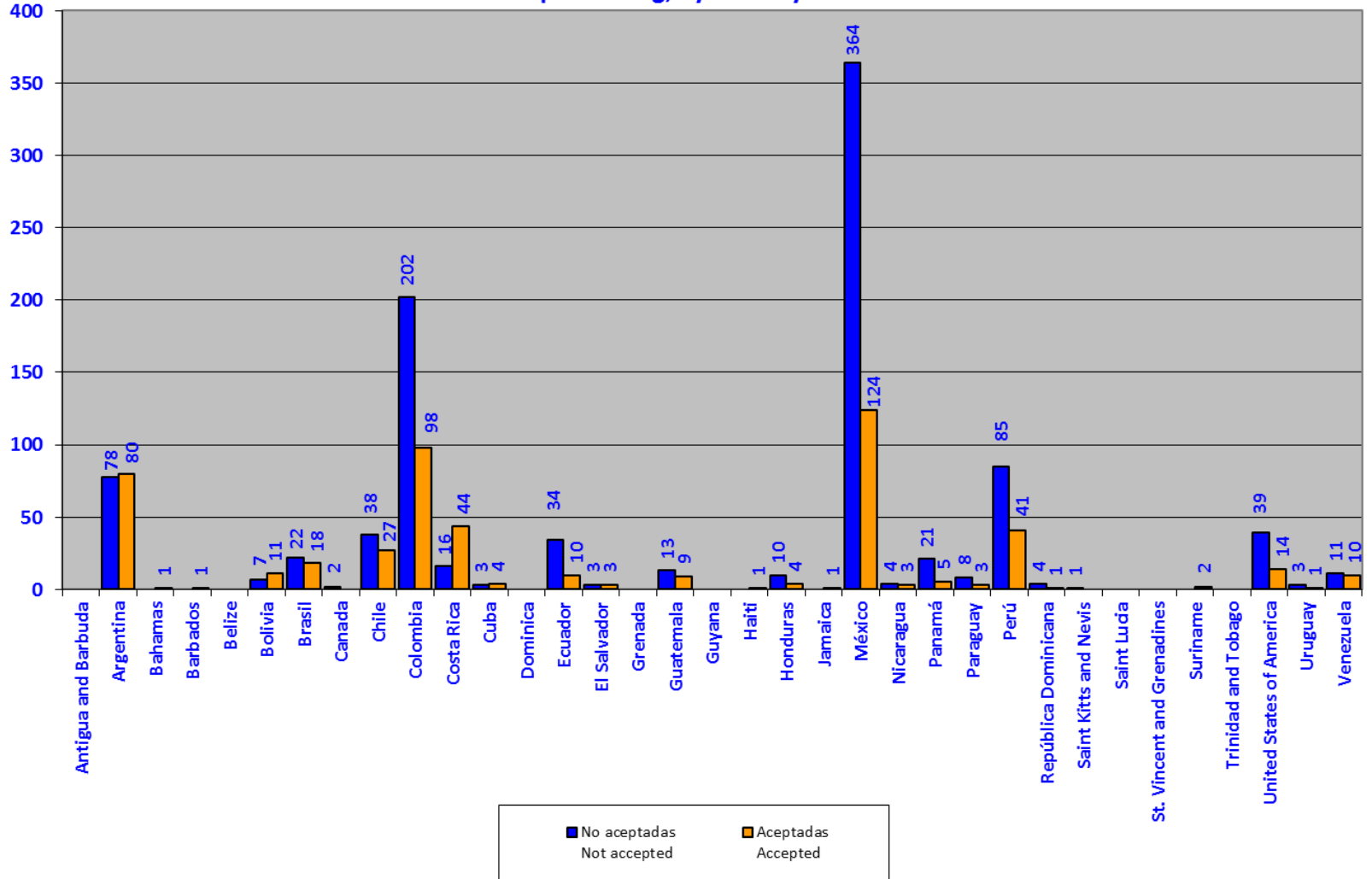
Peticiones aceptadas a trámite (2016) Petitions accepted for processing
TOTAL: 516

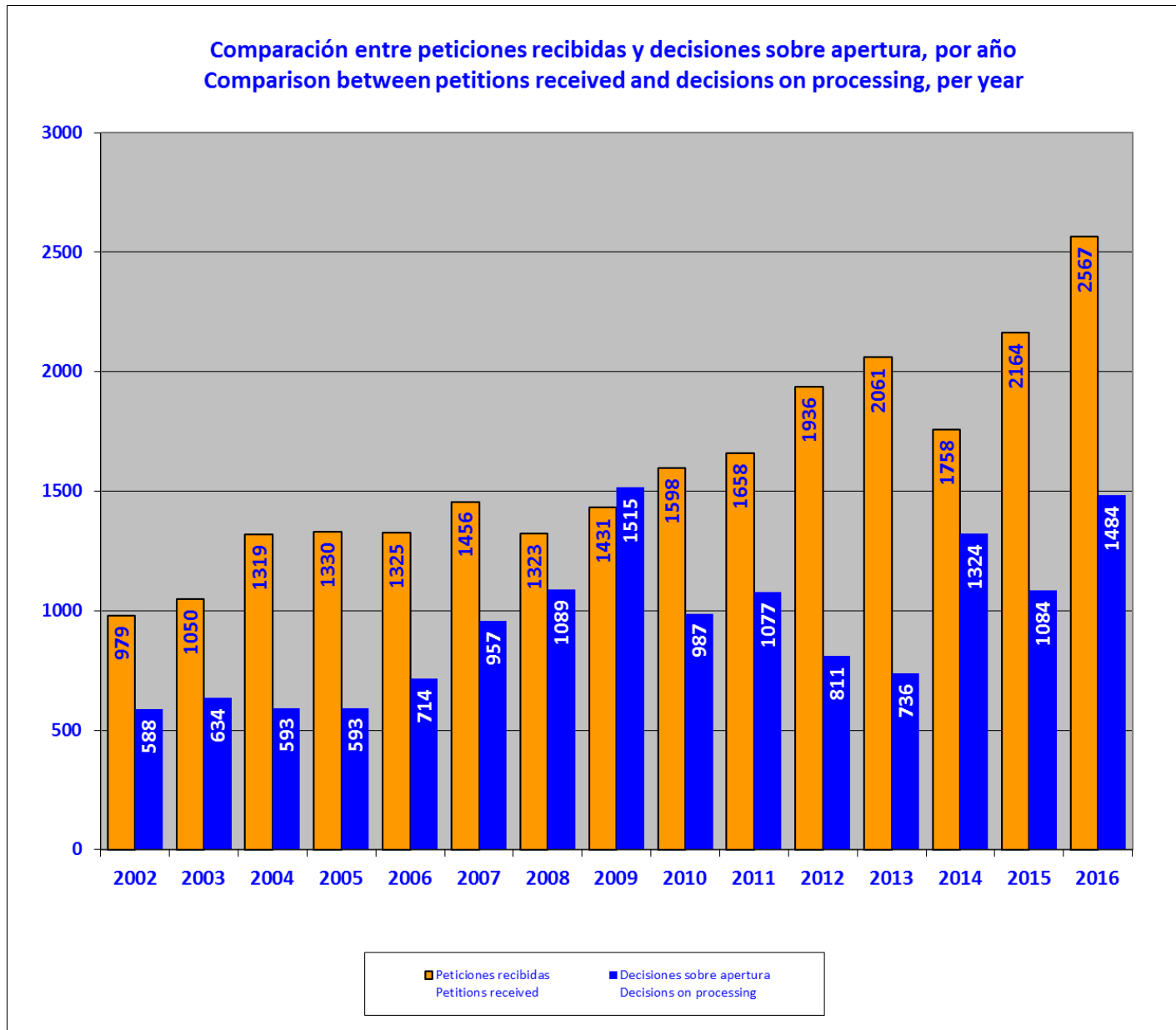


Peticiones no aceptadas a trámite (2016) Petitions not accepted for processing
TOTAL: 968



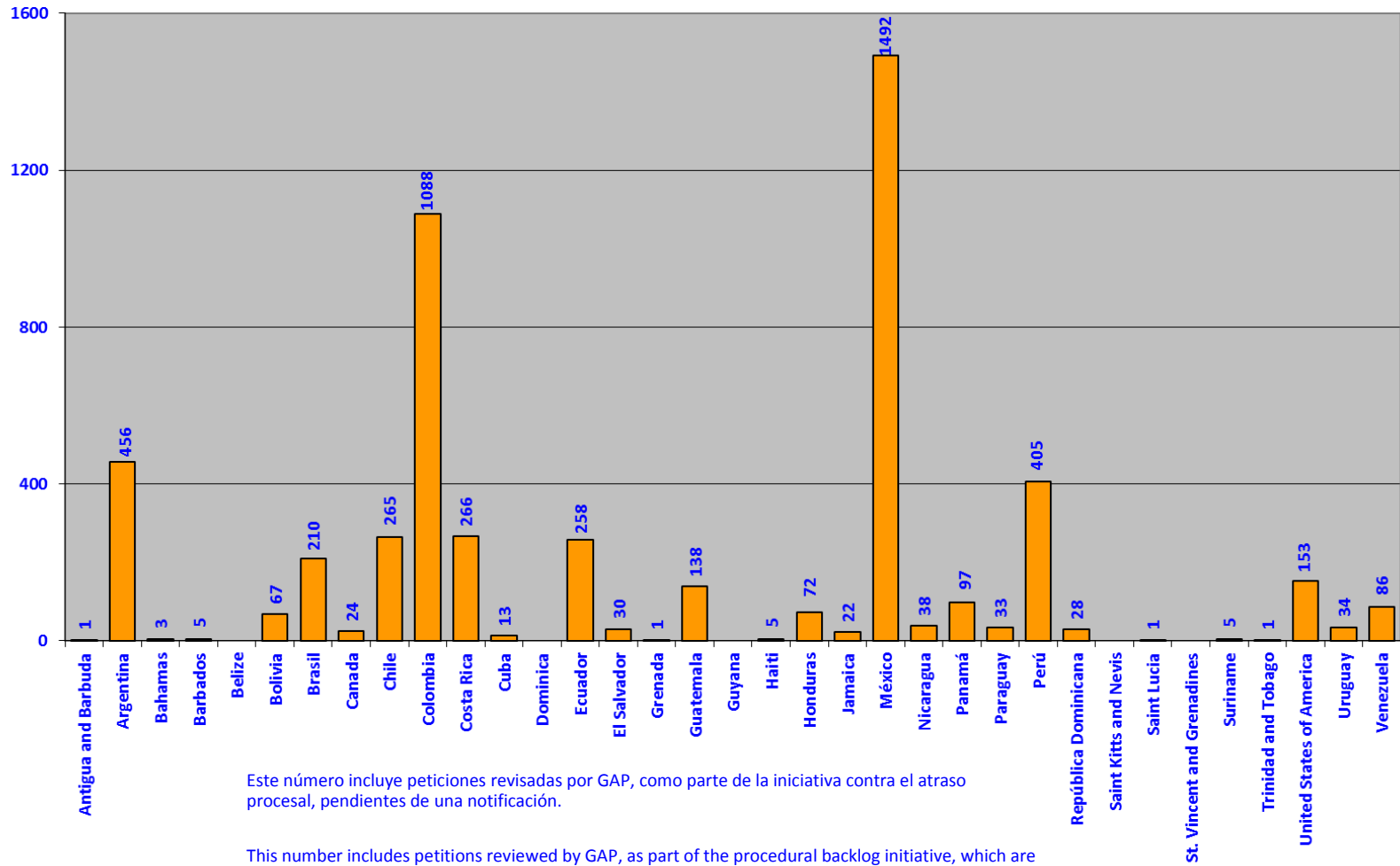
**Comparación entre peticiones aceptadas a trámite y no aceptadas a trámite, por país
(2016)**
**Comparison between petitions accepted for processing and petitions not accepted for
processing, by country**





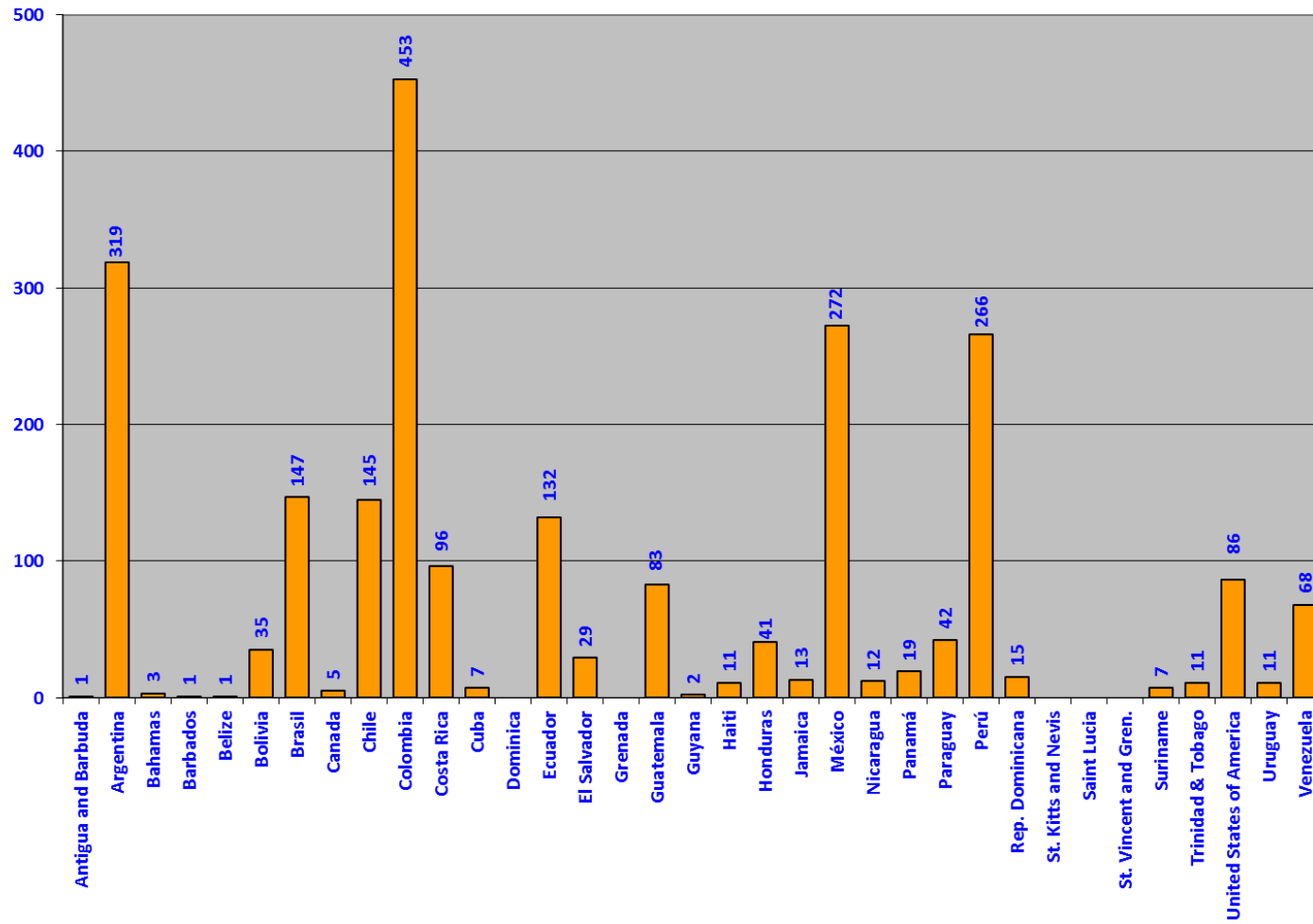
Peticiones que continuaban pendientes de estudio inicial al final del año 2016
Petitions pending initial evaluation at the end of the year 2016

TOTAL: 5297



Peticiones en admisibilidad y fondo (2016) Petitions in admissibility and merits

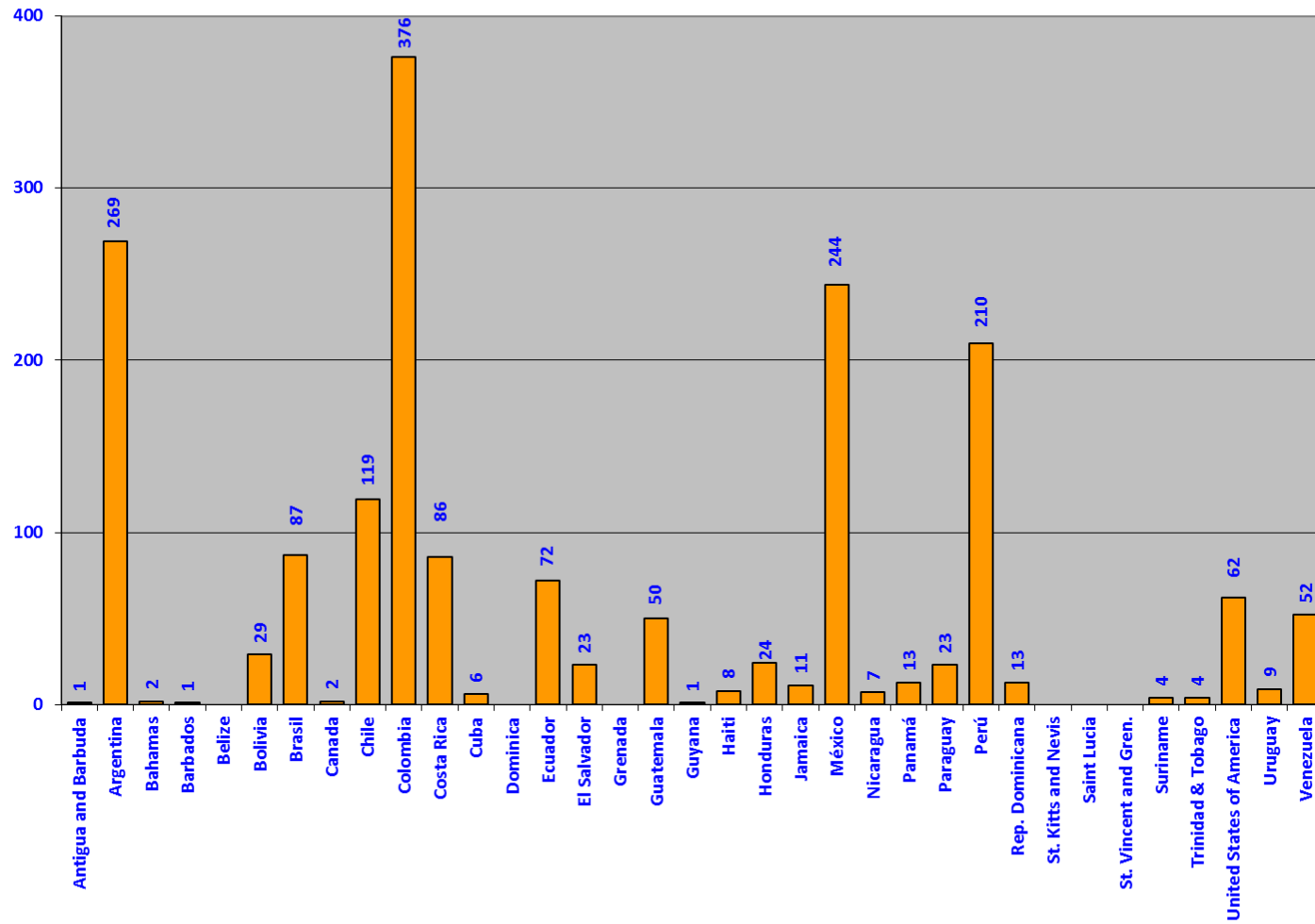
TOTAL: 2333



Admisibilidad es la etapa en que la CIDH determina si una petición satisface los requisitos establecidos en los artículos 46 y 47 de la Convención Americana. Fondo es la etapa en la que la CIDH decide sobre los méritos del caso según el procedimiento establecido en los artículos 48 y 50 de la Convención Americana.

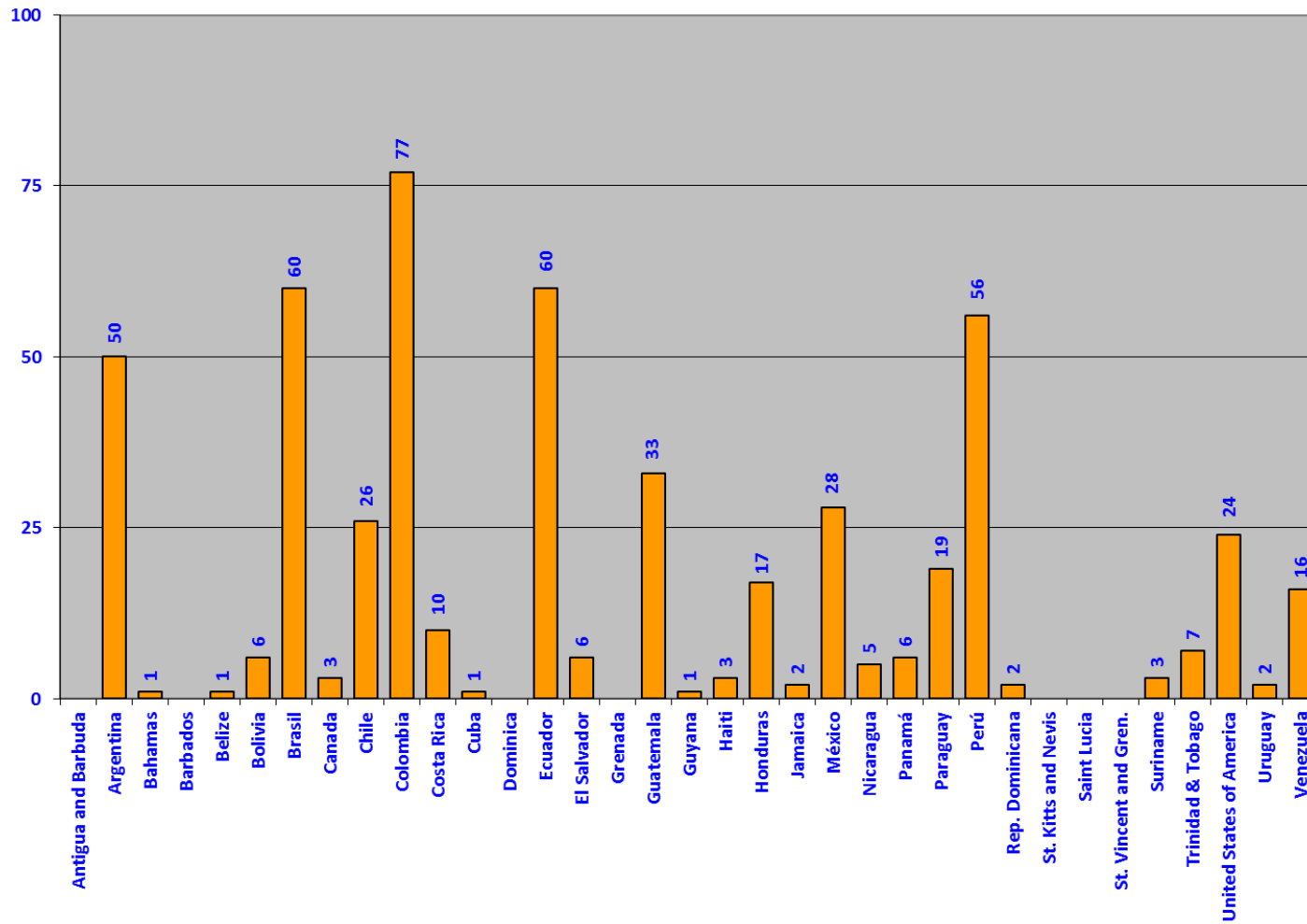
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Peticiones en admisibilidad al final del año (2016) Petitions in admissibility at end of year
TOTAL: 1808



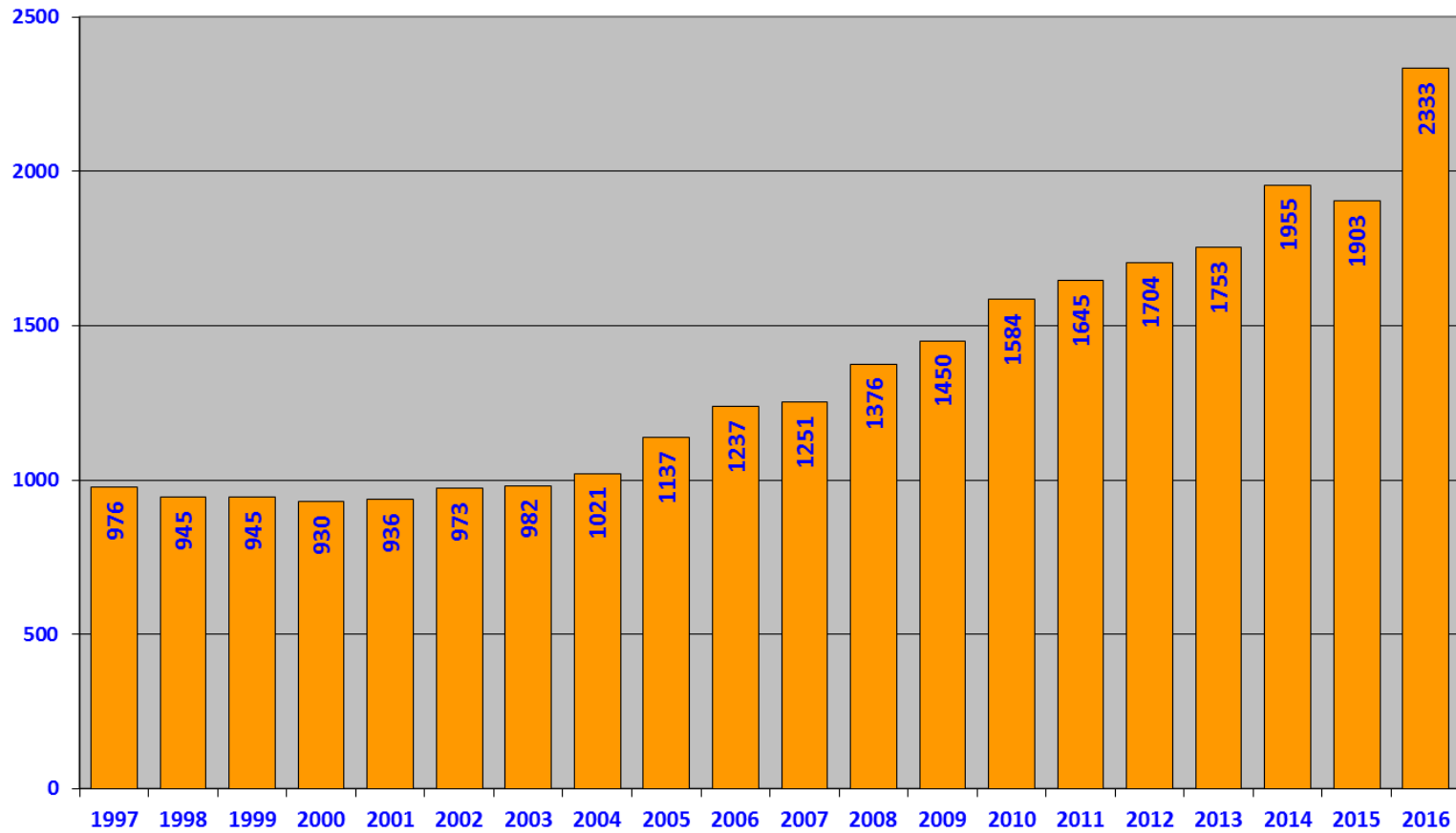
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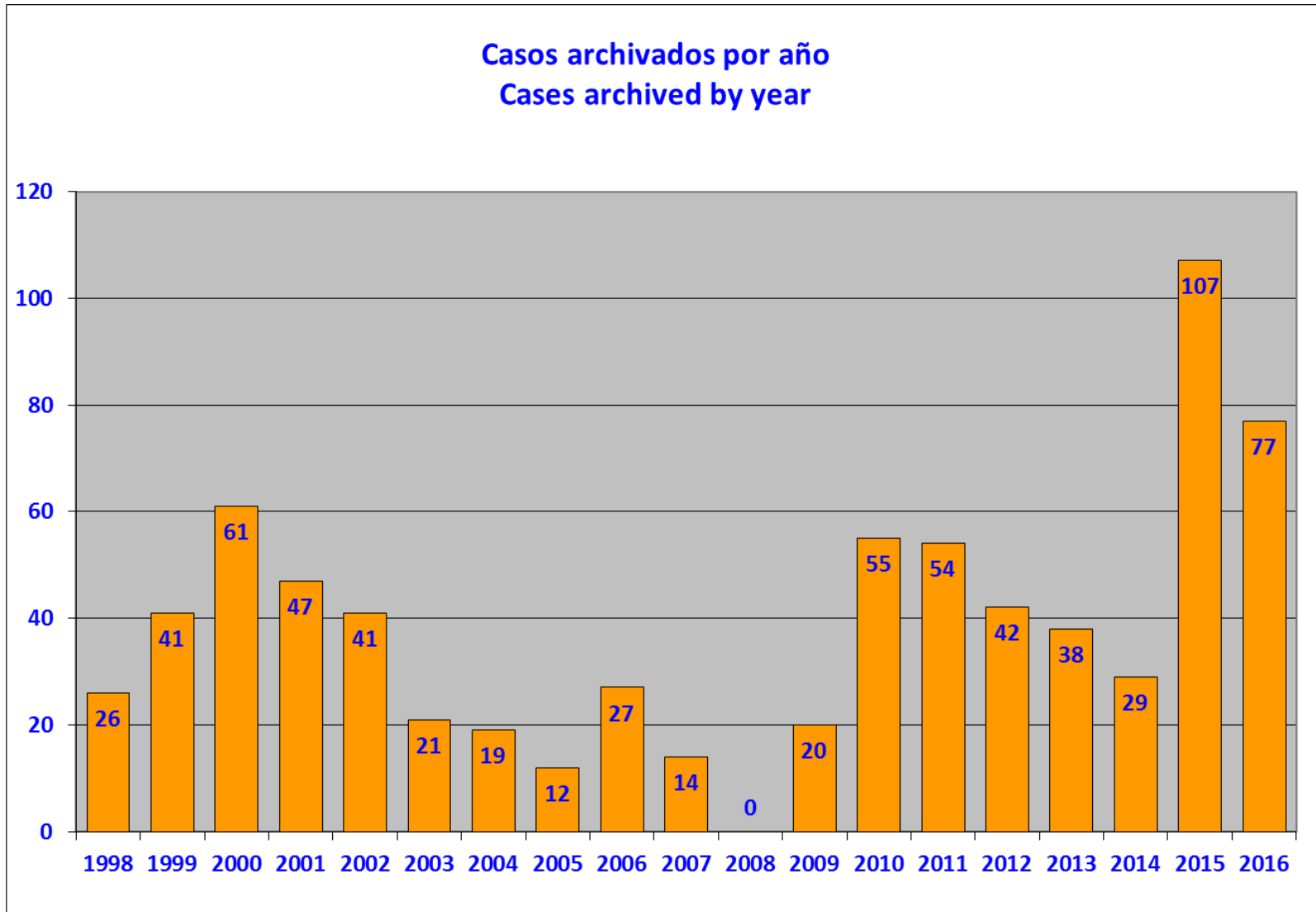
Casos en fondo al final del año (2016) Cases in merits at end of year
TOTAL: 525

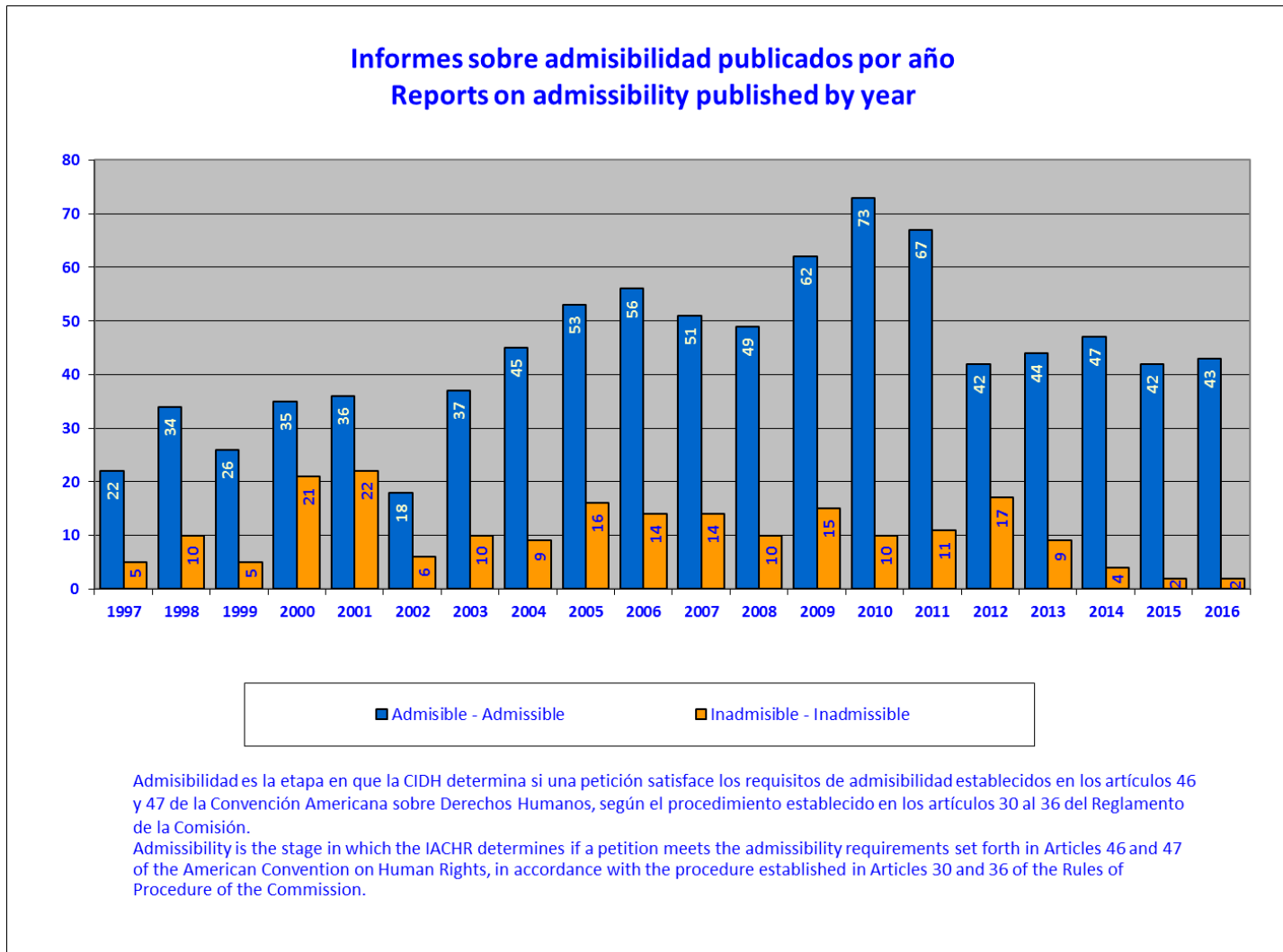


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Portafolio en trámite (admisibilidad y fondo) al final de cada año
Case docket (admissibility and merits) at the end of every year

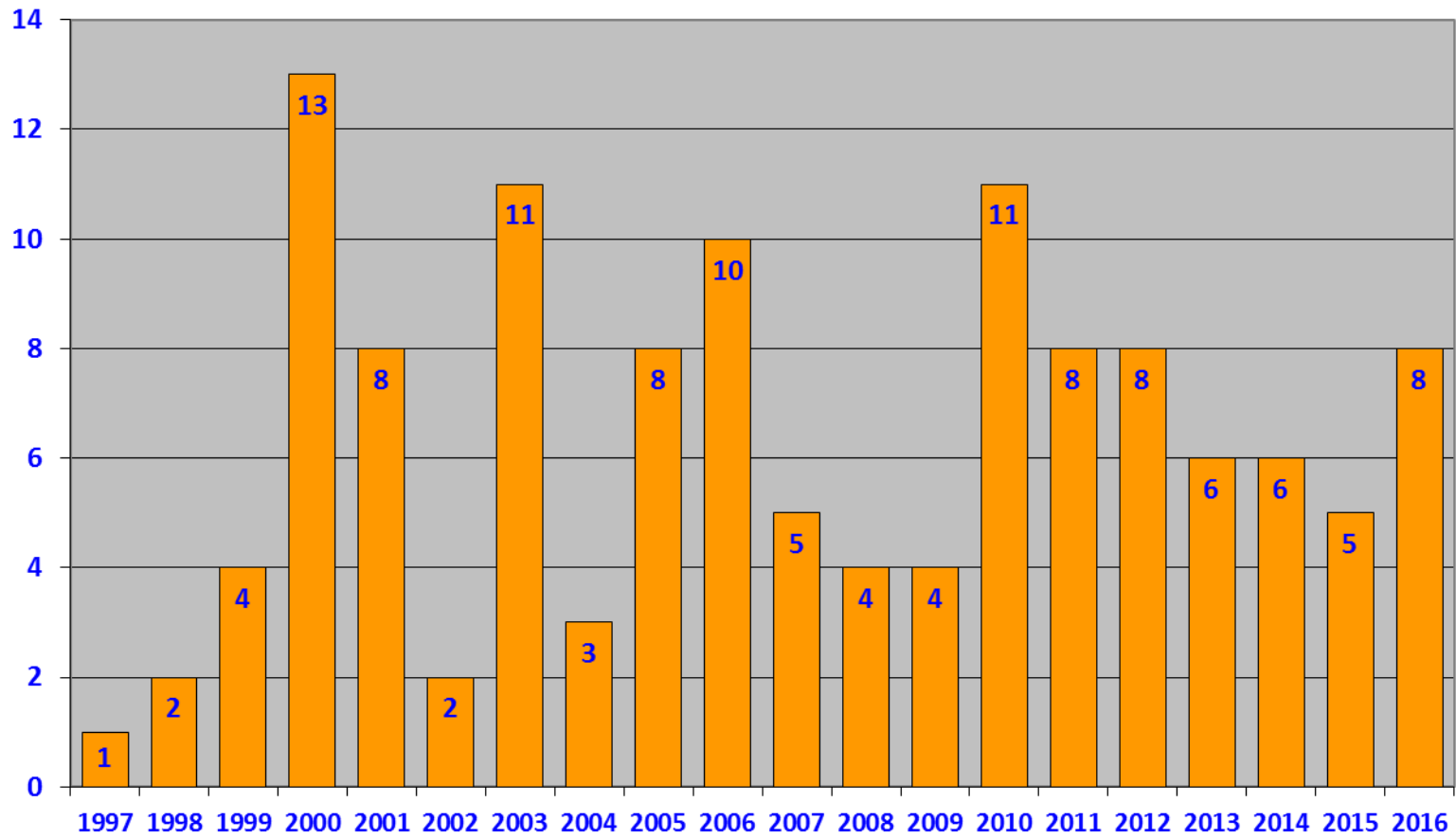




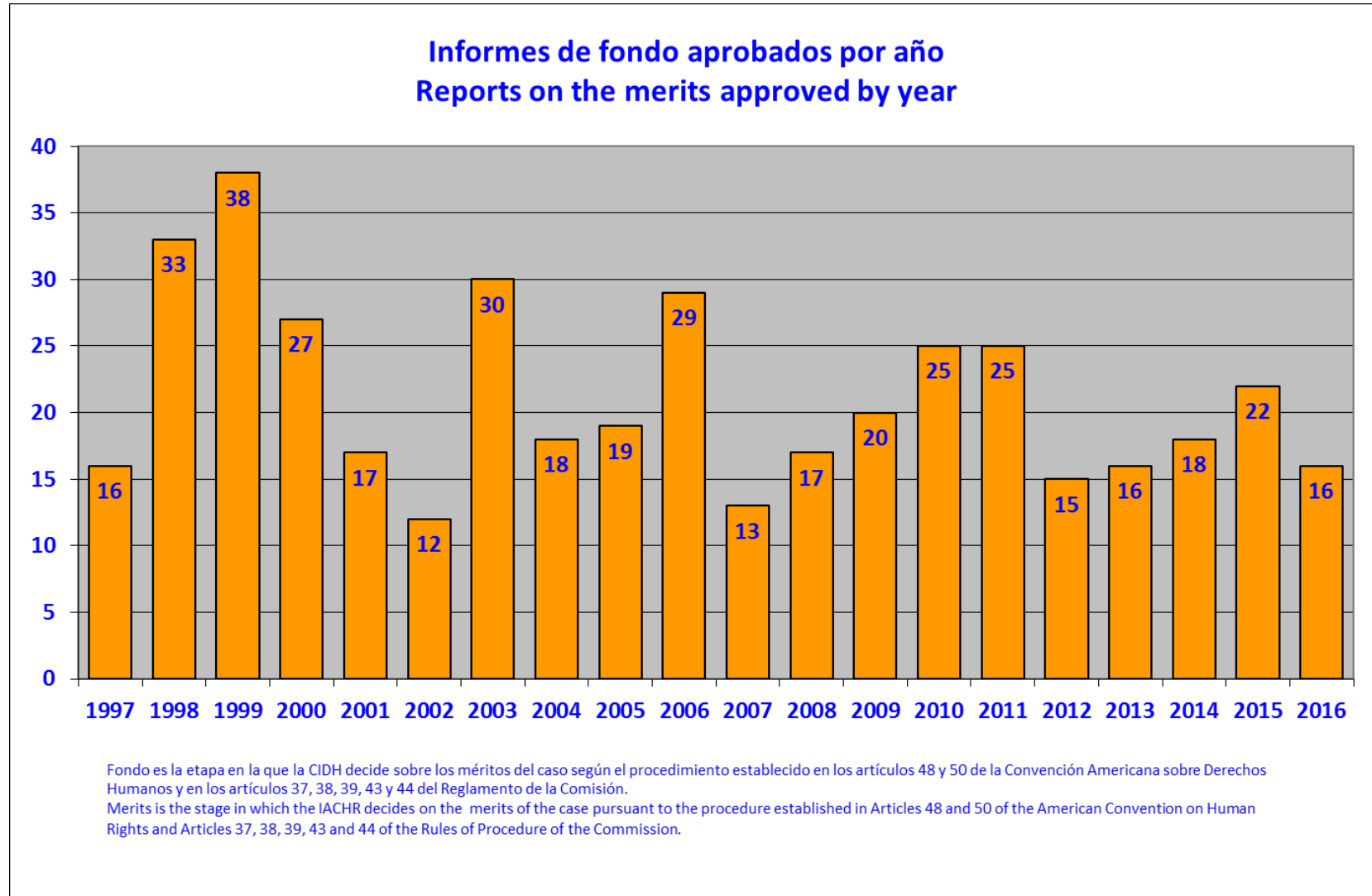


Durante el 2016 se aprobaron 43 informes de admisibilidad que representan un total de 53 peticiones.
In 2016, 43 admissibility reports were approved; they represent 53 petitions.

Informes de solución amistosa publicados por año Reports on friendly settlement published by year

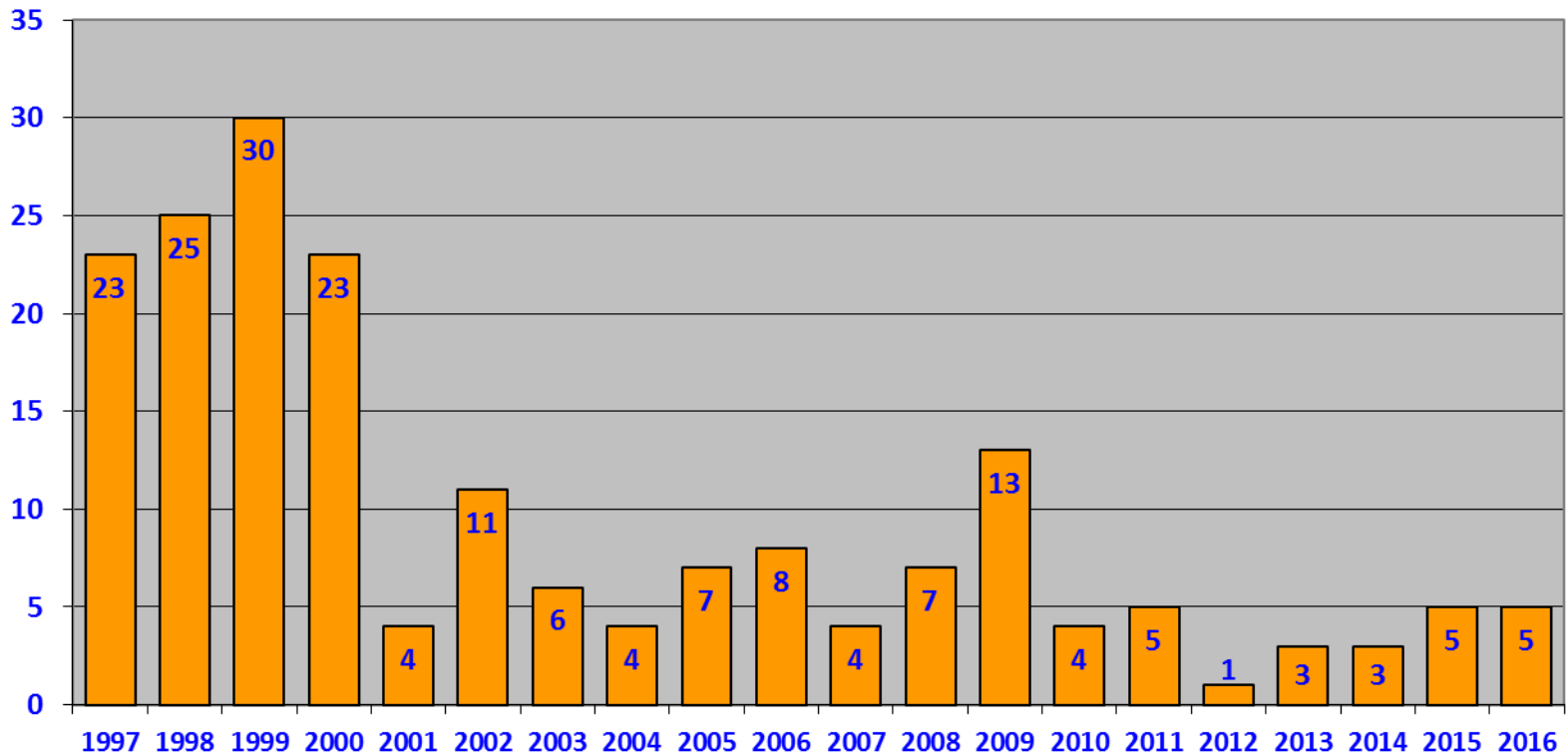


*Una petición o un caso puede, en cualquier momento de las etapas de admisibilidad o fondo, entrar en un proceso de solución amistosa entre las partes.
A petition or case can, at any time in the admissibility or merits stage, enter into a friendly settlement process between the parties.*



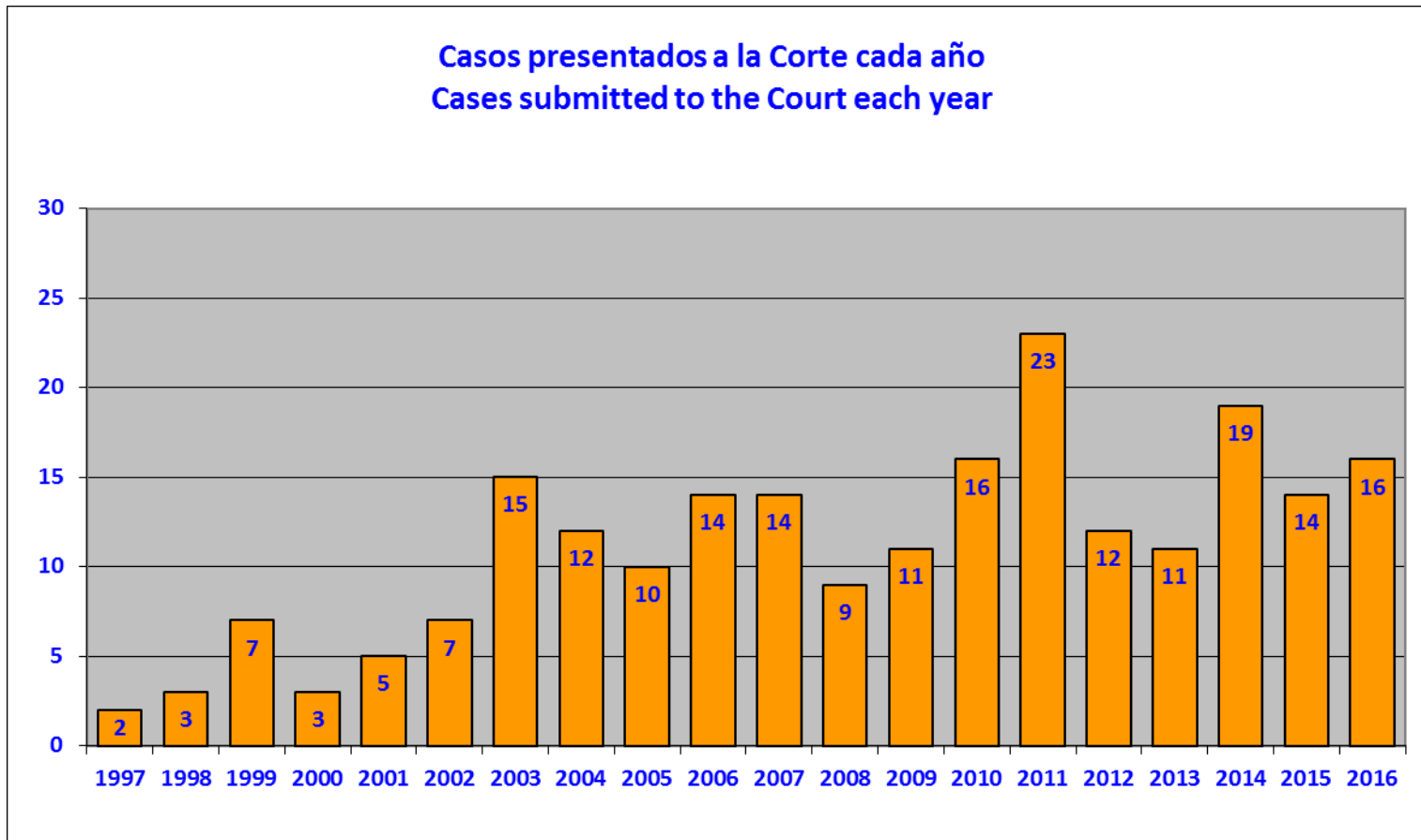
Durante el 2016 se aprobaron 16 informes de fondo que representan un total de 20 casos ya que en un informe se acumularon 5 casos.
In 2016, 16 merits reports were approved; they represent 20 cases, because one report accumulates 5 cases.

Informes de fondo publicados por año Reports on the merits published by year

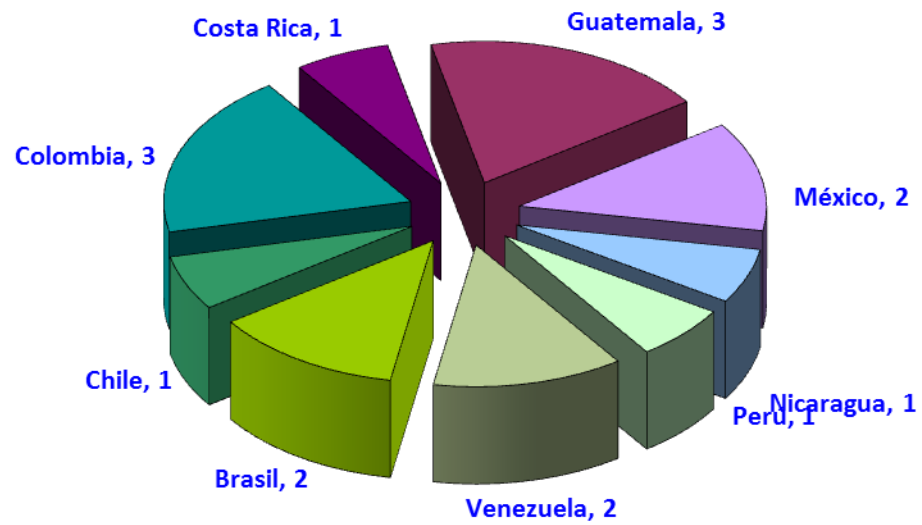


En el año 2001 cambió la regla de remisión de casos a la Corte, lo cual provocó un descenso de los casos en que es pertinente publicar el informe de fondo.

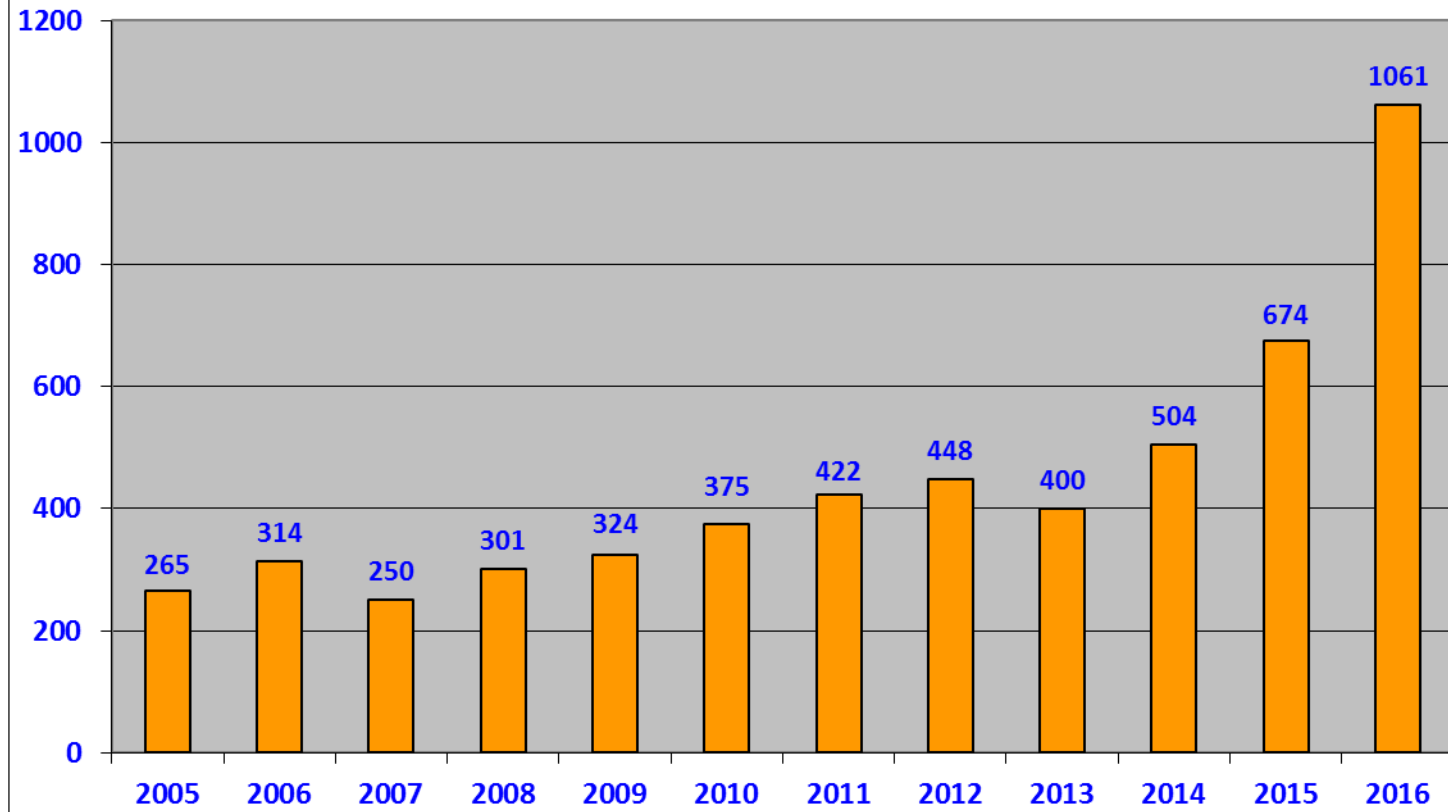
In 2001 the rule of remission of cases to Court changed; this change decreased the number of cases in which it corresponds to publish a report on the merits.



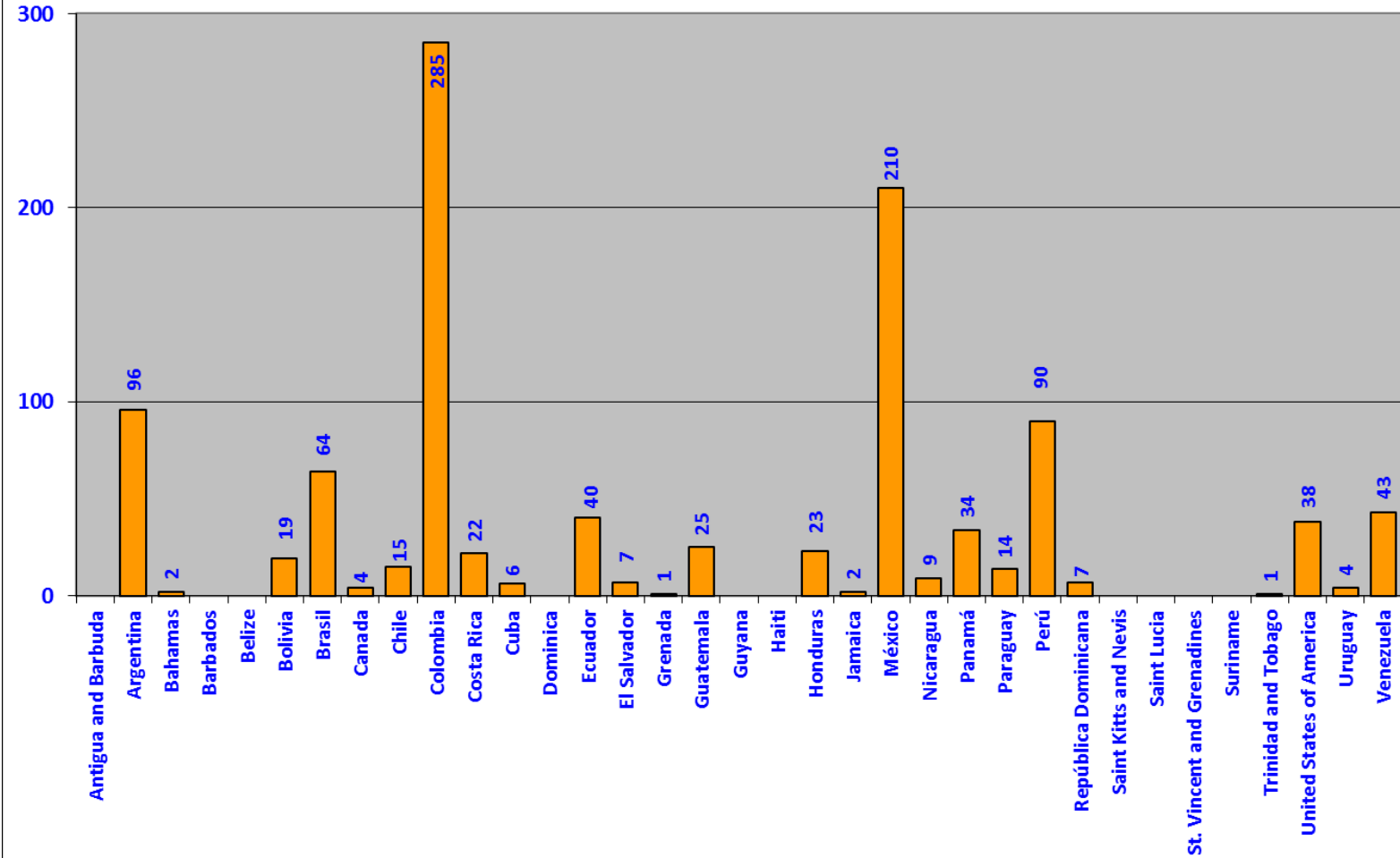
Casos presentados a la Corte por país 2016
Cases submitted to the Court by country 2016
TOTAL: 16



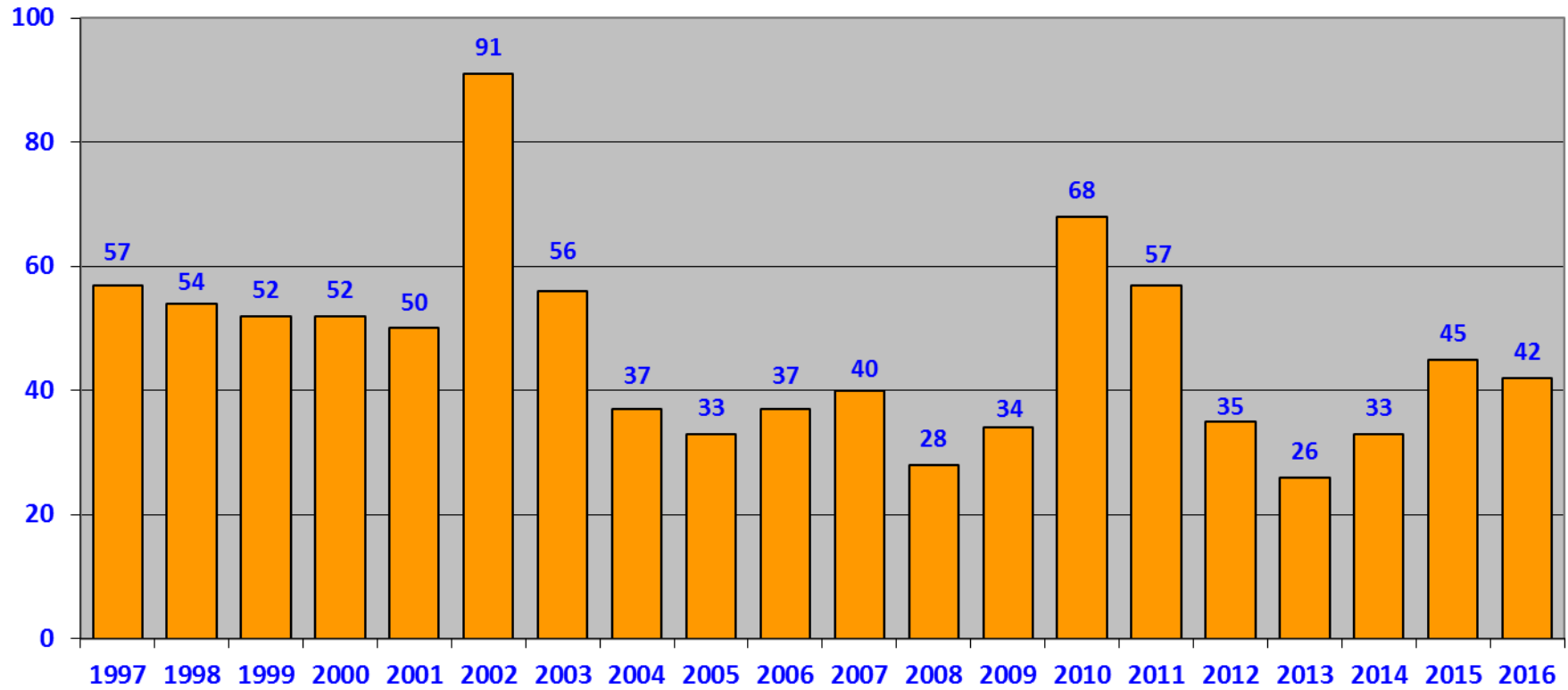
Solicitudes de medidas cautelares recibidas por año Requests for precautionary measures received per year



Solicitudes de medidas cautelares recibidas por país (2016)
Requests for precautionary measures received by country
TOTAL: 1061



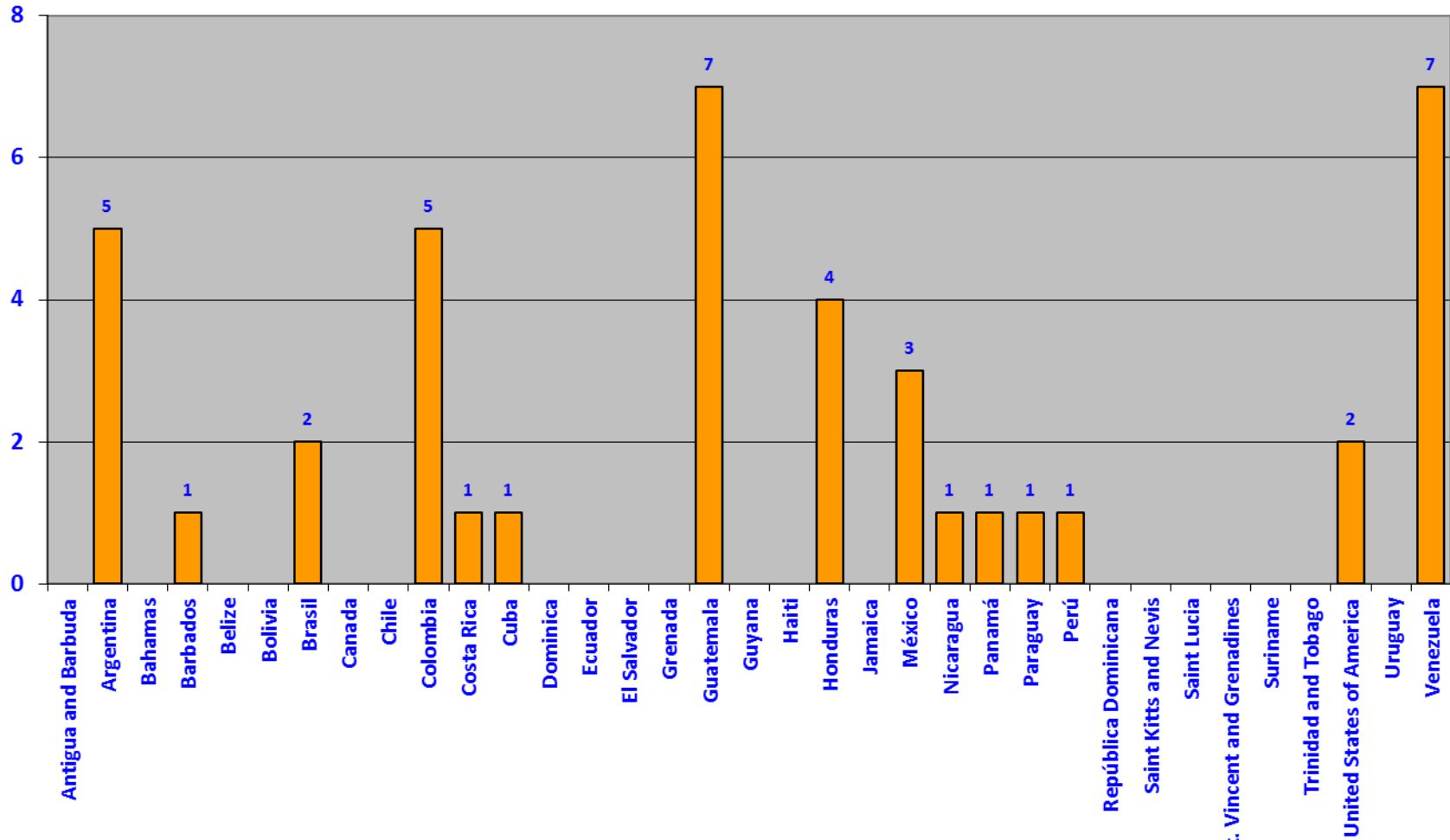
Medidas cautelares otorgadas por año* Precautionary measures granted by year**



*Las medidas cautelares otorgadas pueden incluir situaciones presentadas en años anteriores
** Precautionary measures granted may include requests presented in previous years

Solicitudes de medidas cautelares otorgadas (2016)
Precautionary measures granted

TOTAL: 42



**El total puede incluir decisiones en solicitudes presentadas en años anteriores*
**The total may also include decisions of requests received in previous years*

