



## **IAB CONDEMNS THE MURDER OF A JOURNALIST AND RADIO HOST IN BRAZIL**

The International Association of Broadcasting - IAB - expresses its strongest condemnation and rejection for the murder of Gleydson Carvalho, journalist and host of a program on Radio Liberdade FM in Camocim, State of Ceara, Brazil, occurred last Thursday August 6th.

The murder was committed during the broadcast of Carvalho's show, when two people broke into the studio and fired three shots. The journalist was taken to Deputado Murilo Aguiar Hospital, but he died on the way due to the serious injuries.

Carvalho had already been threatened on several occasions for making allegations of political corruption in the region.

The ninth principle of the Declaration of Principles on Freedom of Expression of the Inter-American Commission on Human Rights states:

*"The murder, kidnapping, intimidation and/or threats to social communicators, as well as the material destruction of communications media violate the fundamental rights of individuals and strongly restrict freedom of expression. It is the duty of the state to prevent and investigate such occurrences, to punish their perpetrators and to ensure that victims receive due compensation."*

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