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FURTHER INFORMATION on UA 278/02 (AMR 34/056/2002, 5 September 2002) Fear for Safety/Death threats

GUATEMALA

**Roly Escobar (m), leader of the *Coodinadora Nacional Sindical y Popular* (CNSP), the National Union and Popular Coordination
Over 40 people occupying land in Guatemala City**

The forty adults (21 women and 19 men) and children who were reportedly forced into private buses on 25 August have been returned safely back to the capital.

The adults and children had been forced onto the buses and taken to an unknown destination after they occupied land in the suburb of Justo Rufino Barrios, located in zone 21 of the capital, Guatemala City. Amnesty International will continue to monitor the safety of Roly Escobar, leader of *Coodinadora Nacional Sindical y Popular* (CNSP) the National Union and Popular Coordination and other CNSP members and will inform the network if any further action is required.

Roly Escobar told Amnesty International that the appeals sent in response to the original urgent action were a decisive element in resolving the situation.

No further action by the UA Network is requested at present. Many thanks to all those who have sent appeals.