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Further information on UA 388/91 (AMR 36/24/91, 12 November 1991) - Legal Concern/fear of ill-treatment

HAITI:Patrick Frantz BEAUCHARD
Saurel GOMEZ

Patrick Frantz Beauchard and his brother-in-law, Saurel Gomez, were arrested on Saturday 2 November 1991 in Hinche, in Haiti's Central Department, and were detained at the military barracks there. No information as to the reasons for their arrest was given by the authorities, and sources in Haiti believe they have been arrested solely on account of their support for deposed President Jean-Bertrand Aristide.

Amnesty International has now learned that Patrick Beauchard has been transferred to the Pénitencier National, National Penitentiary, in Port-au-Prince. No new information on the whereabouts of Saurel Gomez has been received.

FURTHER RECOMMENDED ACTION: Telegrams/telexes/faxes/telephone calls/airmail letters:

Please continue sending appeals as indicated in the original Urgent Action ie:

- asking for the reasons for the arrests, and for clarification of the legal situations, of Patrick Frantz Beauchard and Saurel Gomez;
- asking that they be charged with a recognizable criminal offence or otherwise be released;
- seeking guarantees that their physical integrity will be respected while they are in military custody.

Please direct your inquiries regarding Patrick Beauchard to the Pénitencier National's Commander. You should also inquire whether Saurel Gomez is being detained there.

APPEALS TO:

1) Commander of the Pénitencier National:

Monsieur le Commandant
Pénitencier Nationale
Rue du Centre,
Port-au-Prince, Haïti

**Monsieur le Commandant
Dear Commandant**

Telegrams: Commandant Penitencier National, Port-au-Prince, Haiti

2) Prime Minister:

Maitre Jean-Jacques HONORAT
Premier Ministre,

**Monsieur le Premier Ministre
Dear Prime Minister**

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Présidence de la République de Haïti
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Port-au-Prince, Haïti
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3) Minister of Interior and Defence:

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Ministre de l'Intérieur et de la Défense Nationale
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Monsieur le Ministre
Dear Minister

4) Commander in Chief of the Armed Forces:

Monsieur le Général Raoul CEDRAS
Commandant-en-Chef des Forces Armées d'Haïti
Grand Quartier Général des Forces Armées d'Haïti
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Monsieur le Général
Dear General

4) Minister of Justice:

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Monsieur le Ministre
Dear Minister

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and to diplomatic representatives of Haïti in your country.

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