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Further information on UA 397/91 (AMR 36/28/91, 14 November 1991) and follow-up AMR 36/29/91, 18 November 1991 - Legal concern/Fear of ill-treatment

HAITI:Virginie SENATUS (f)

Loby GRATIA
Raynand PIERRE
and others

Amnesty International has learned that contrary to earlier reports, Raynand Pierre has not been arrested. However he is still in hiding.

Raynand Pierre is the Executive Director of the Centre Lafontant Joseph de Promotion des Droits Humains (Lafontant Joseph Centre for the Promotion of Human Rights). According to previous information received by Amnesty International, Raynand Pierre was reported arrested in Port-au-Prince on Thursday 14 November 1991, when he left his secure hiding place. The contradictory reports of his arrest are a result of the difficulties facing human rights monitors in the climate of fear and repression after the coup d'État which ousted President Jean-Bertrand Aristide.

Loby Gratia, Head of Publications of the Lafontant Joseph Centre for the Promotion of Human Rights, is still in hiding and his situation remains unchanged.

As reported in the previous urgent action follow-up (AMR 36/29/91, 18 November 1991) Virginie Sénatus has been freed and no further action is required on her behalf.

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

- asking for guarantees for the physical integrity of members of the Lafontant Joseph Centre for Human Rights, including Raynand Pierre and Loby Gratia, and that they be allowed to conduct their peaceful human rights activities without fear of reprisals.

APPEALS TO:

1) Prime Minister:
Maître Jean-Jacques HONORAT
Premier Ministre,
Ministre des Affaires Etrangères

**Monsieur le Premier Ministre
Dear Prime Minister**

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2) Minister of Interior and Defence:

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Dear Minister

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