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Further information on Extra 23/00 (EUR 44/14/00, 10 March 2000) - Fear for safety / Fear of torture or ill-treatment

TURKEYAli Gülmez (early thirties)
Ganimet Bozlu (f)
Erol Gültekin] husband and wife
 Ismet Gültekin (f) (released)]
Namik Yüksel] husband and wife
Hayriye Yüksel (f)]
 Nazife Kaya (f) (remanded to prison)
 Three other people (names unknown)

Amnesty International has learned that Ismet Gültekin was released from the Anti-terror Branch of Police Headquarters in Istanbul on 10 March 2000 and that Nazife Kaya has reportedly been remanded to prison and is therefore now unlikely to be at risk of torture or ill-treatment.

The organization has also learned that Ali Gülmez is being detained at the Gendarmerie in Tokat and not the police headquarters as previously believed.

On 10 March, officials reportedly claimed that Ali Gülmez was the secretary general of the leftist armed organization TKP/ML-TIKKO and that he was responsible for making the bomb used in the attempted assassination of the governor of Cankiri Province in which four people were killed.

On 12 March a lawyer was very briefly allowed access to Ganimet Bozlu, Erol Gültekin, Namik Yüksel and Hayriye Yüksel at the Anti-terror Branch of Police Headquarters in Istanbul. He did not have adequate time to find out how they were being treated but noted that they appeared exhausted.

Please continue appeals as before noting that no further appeals are required on behalf of Ismet Gültekin or Nazife Kaya.

Appeals on behalf of **all** those still detained can be made to: the Minister of the Interior and the Minister of Justice (addresses provided on original).

Appeals on behalf of all those still detained at the Anti-terror Branch of Police Headquarters in Istanbul - Ganimet Bozlu, Erol Gültekin, Namik Yüksel and Hayriye Yüksel - should be made to: the Istanbul Chief of Police.

Appeals on behalf of Ali Gülmez to the Tokat Chief of Police should now cease and should instead be made to:

Chief of Staff of the Gendarmerie

General Rasim Betir

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Salutation:Dear Chief of Staff

Tokat Gendarmerie

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Salutation:Dear General