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Further information on UA 169/91 (EUR 44/62/91, 16 May 1991) and follow-up
EUR 44/74/91, 4 June 1991 - Fear of Cruel, Inhuman and Degrading Treatment
/ Fear of Torture

TURKEY:Ömer Özer, aged 70

Re_it Alt_n, aged 53

Faik Y_lmaz

Mehmet S_l_k

Celal Çiçek

Ibrahim Güçlü, aged 60

Ahmet Özhan

Bedri Erdem, aged 25

_smail Esmeray, aged 60

Nezim Özkan

Nuriye Erdem (female)

Sedika Be_ta_ (f)

On or around 15 July 1991 Nuriye Erdem and Sedika Be_ta_ were released from prison, but their prosecution for membership of an armed organisation will continue. They had been brought before Diyarbakir State Security Court and formally arrested on 20 May 1991. No precise information has been received about their treatment while in detention. Amnesty International will continue to monitor their case.

The holding of villagers as a human shield around the gendarmerie post in the village of Payaml_ (Kurdish: Deravit) during the hours of darkness ceased as of 19 July 1991. No reason was given for the discontinuation.

No further action on this case is required by Urgent Action participants. Thanks to all those who participated in this appeal.