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Further information on UA 219/00 (MDE 14/08/00, 19 July 2000) and follow-ups (MDE 14/09/00, 25 July 2000; MDE 14/10/00, 16 August 2000; MDE 14/11/00, 31 August 2000) - Incommunicado detention/fear of torture/forcible expulsion/fear of forcible return/"disappearance"

IRAQ/IRAQI KURDISTANSadiq Nikbin (Iranian national)  
Faridun Hussain Zadah (Iranian national)

Azad Ahmad, IWCP member

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Sadiq Nikbin and Faridun Hussain Zadah were released on 5 September 2000.

Azad Ahmad, a member of the executive committee of the Iraqi Workers' Communist Party (IWCP), was released on 4 September and returned to his house in the town of Rania. However, he was reportedly rearrested the same day and his whereabouts are now unknown.

**FURTHER RECOMMENDED ACTION: Please send telegrams/faxes/express/airmail letters in English, Arabic, Kurdish or your own language:**

- welcoming the release of Sadiq Nikbin and Faridun Hussain Zadah;
- asking why Azad Ahmad was rearrested on 4 September;
- asking where he is detained, and seeking assurances that he is being treated humanely;
- urging that he be immediately released if he was arrested solely for his membership of the IWCP.

**APPEALS TO:**

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**PLEASE SEND APPEALS IMMEDIATELY.** Check with the International Secretariat, or your section office, if sending appeals after 19 October 2000.