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Further information on UA 63/01 (MDE 23/004/2001, 16 March 2001) - Fear of ill-treatment / Prisoner of Conscience

SAUDI ARABIA Sheikh Mohammad Ali al-Amri, aged about 90

Sheikh Mohammad Ali al-Amri was reportedly released on 22 March. He was apparently not tortured or ill-treated in detention, but his request for a transfer to hospital for treatment for Parkinson's disease was reportedly refused.

Sheikh Mohammad Ali al-Amri had been detained at the *Mabahith al-Amma*, General Intelligence, since he was arrested on 9 March, apparently in connection with his Shi'a religious beliefs.

No further action is necessary. Many thanks to all who sent appeals.