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Further information on UA 193/01 (MDE 25/003/2001, 31 July 2001) and follow-up (MDE 25/004/2001, 3 September 2001) - Incommunicado detention/"disappearance", fear of forcible return

**New Concern: Death in custody**

**United Arab Emirates (UAE)/Libya**

**Ahmad Mohammad 'Ali 'Ak'ak [m]**

**'Ali Bashir [m]**

**'Ali 'Amish [m]**

**'Abdullah Abu al-Qasim al-Ghazal [m], aged 39**

**Ahmad Ramadhan Hussain Qanud [m], aged 36**

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Amnesty International has learned that 'Abdullah Abu al-Qasim al-Ghazal has died in custody. On 6 September his wife was summoned at al-Khalidiya Police Station in Abu Dhabi to be told that her husband had committed suicide. She was asked to collect his body for burial. His wife refused to do so and has asked for an autopsy to be carried out.

The fate and whereabouts of Ahmad Mohammad 'Ali 'Ak'ak, 'Ali Bashir, 'Ali 'Amish and Ahmad Ramadhan Hussain Qanud remain unknown.

**FURTHER RECOMMENDED ACTION: Please send appeals in English, Arabic or your own language:**

- urging that a full and independent investigation into the death in custody of 'Abdullah Abu al-Qasim al-Ghazal be immediately carried out, the results of which should be made public;
- requesting information about the fate and whereabouts of Ahmad Mohammad 'Ali 'Ak'ak, 'Ali Bashir, 'Ali 'Amish and Ahmad Ramadhan Hussain Qanud;
- urging their immediate release if they are not to be charged with a recognizable criminal offence;
- urging that they should not be forcibly returned to Libya.

**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 2001.