URGENT ACTION

SUPPORTERS OF KURD ON DEATH ROW RELEASED

Two Iranian Kurdish men, arrested while celebrating the postponement of a fellow activist's execution in December, were released on bail in the evening of 9 March 2011. They may face charge and trial in the future. Habibollah Latifi, the man sentenced to death, remains at risk of execution, but no new date has been set.

The execution of **Habibollah Latifi**, an industrial engineering student at Ilam University, was not carried out on 26 December 2010, as scheduled. While he remains at risk of execution, no date is known to have been set for his execution. Amnesty International continues to urge the authorities that his death sentence be commuted as a matter of urgency.

Following the postponement of the execution, family members and activists gathered at the Latifi household. The house was raided and around 24 people were arrested, including Habibollah Latifi's relatives.

The last two to be held, civil society activist, journalist and poet, **Sa'id Sa'edi** and **Yahya Qavami** were released in the evening of 9 March 2011 on bail valued at 400 million Iranian rials (over US\$38,000), taken in the form of property deeds.

Both men are said to be in good physical condition and in good spirits.

Amnesty International will closely monitor developments in relation to these cases and take further action as appropriate.

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

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