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Further information on UA 89/00 (MDE 15/16/00, 18 April 2000) - Fear of torture and ill-treatment / Legal concern

ISRAEL/SOUTH LEBANON      Tariq Gharib, computer engineer, aged 34  
   Mohammed Yaqub, agricultural engineer, aged 50

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Tariq Gharib has been released, but Mohammed Yaqub remains in custody at Khiam detention centre. Both men were arrested by the South Lebanon Army some time in the last two weeks.

Torture and ill-treatment are routine at Khiam, where detainees are often held for years without charge.

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

- seeking assurances that Mohammed Yaqub, who was arrested by the South Lebanon Army, will not be tortured or ill-treated in any way at Khiam Detention Centre;
- calling for his immediate release unless he is charged with a recognizably criminal offence and tried according to international standards for fair trial;
- urging the Israeli government to respect its commitment to the Universal Declaration of Human Rights, in particular Article 5: "No one shall be subjected to torture or to cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment or punishment".

**APPEALS TO:**

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Prime Minister and Minister of Defence  
Office of the Prime Minister  
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Hakiryia, Jerusalem 91007  
**Telegrams: Prime Minister, Jerusalem**  
**Faxes: + 972 2 566 4838**  
**Salutation: Dear Prime Minister**

Major General (Res.) Uri Lubrani  
Coordinator of Government Activities in Lebanon  
Ministry of Defence  
7 'A' Street  
Hakiryia, Tel Aviv, Israel  
**Telegrams: Uri Lubrani, Tel Aviv, Israel**  
**Faxes: + 972 3 697 7358**  
**Salutation: Dear Major General**

General Antoine Lahad  
South Lebanon Army  
c/o Lieutenant-General Shaul Mufaz  
Chief of General Staff  
7 'A' Street  
Hakiryia, Tel Aviv, Israel  
**Telegrams: General Lahad, c/o Chief General Staff, Tel Aviv, Israel**  
**Faxes: + 972 3 691 6940 (write c/o Lieutenant-General Shaul Mufaz, Chief of General Staff)**  
**Salutation: Dear General**

**COPIES TO:** diplomatic representatives of Israel accredited to your country.

**PLEASE SEND APPEALS IMMEDIATELY.** Check with the International Secretariat, or your section office, if sending appeals after 7 June 2000.