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Further information on UA 05/98 (AFR 16/01/98, 7 January 1998) - Torture

BURUNDIAstère Baranyigera, 36 years old, teacher

On 7 January 1998, Amnesty International raised concern for the physical integrity of Astère Baranyigera, following his arrest on 31 December 1997, in Bujumbura, the capital. He was reportedly ill-treated in detention.

The organization has received confirmation that Astère Baranyigera was released on 15 January 1998. He was not charged, but is reportedly required to present himself once a week to the *Brigade spéciale de recherche* (BSR), Special Investigation Brigade.

No further action is required by the Urgent Action network. Many thanks to all who sent appeals on behalf of Astère Baranyigera.