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Further information (1) on UA 31/96 (MDE 13/06/96, 9 February 1996) - Death Penalty

IRAN

Jalal al-Din Farsi

Amnesty International has learned that the Supreme Court has revoked the initial death sentence against Jalal al-Din Farsi. His case will again be brought before a public court in Tehran for further evaluation. Jalal al-Din Farsi was convicted of murder and sentenced to death in January 1996 by a court in Tehran. In an earlier trial, he had been convicted of manslaughter, but the Supreme Court had ordered a retrial.

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

- welcoming the decision of the Supreme Court to revoke the death sentence against Jalal al-Din Farsi;
- urging that any further review of his case rule out the death penalty as punishment;
- drawing attention to world trends to abolish or reduce the use of the death penalty, the desirability of which was reaffirmed in Resolution 32/61 of 8 December 1977 of the United Nations General Assembly.

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PLEASE SEND APPEALS IMMEDIATELY. Check with the International Secretariat, or your section office, if sending appeals after 31 May 1996.