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Further information on UA 399/94 (AFR 19/01/94, 14 November 1994) - Death Penalty

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The four *gendarmes* named above were sentenced to death after having been found guilty of murder by the Permanent Military Court.

Amnesty International has learnt that on 4 December 1994 they escaped from prison. As long as they remain in this so-called state of illegality (*état d'illégalité*), the cassation procedure will allegedly be suspended.

For the time being no further action by the Urgent Action Network is required. Thanks to all those who have sent appeals.