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Further information on UA 29/93 (AMR 36/06/93, 4 February 1993) - Fear of "disappearance"/Death threats

Haiti: Corlson (possibly Colson) DORMÉ
Michael NORTON, journalist
Daniel MORREL, journalist
Michael TARR, journalist
Dominique LEVANTI, journalist

Amnesty International has learned of the release on the evening of 7 February 1993 of Corlson Dormé, when he was left outside the entrance to the Radio Station, Tropic FM where he is a radio correspondent. Corlson Dormé went missing on 1 February 1993 while covering a pro-government demonstration in Port-au-Prince, protesting the arrival of a United Nation's (UN) delegation to Haiti.

According to the information received by Amnesty International, Corlson Dormé was hit over the head while at the demonstration and was thrown unconscious into a pick-up truck by several men reported to be members of the armed forces.

He reports being taken to an unknown location where he was kept blindfolded throughout his detention, and was badly beaten. He believes he may have been held at the Delmas 33 detention centre in the Delmas area of Port-au-Prince.

While held he was reportedly questioned by two men who accused him of belonging to the Lavalas, the political movement which supported the deposed President Jean-Bertrand Aristide. He was warned to stop collaborating with Lavalas and start collaborating with them.

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

- expressing concern at the abduction of Corlson Dormé reportedly by members of the armed forces;
- expressing concern that Corlson Dormé was reportedly badly beaten by members of the armed forces;
- asking for an immediate and thorough investigation into this incident and those found to be responsible be brought to justice;
- asking for guarantees for the security of Corlson Dormé.

APPEALS TO:

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Salutation: Monsieur le Premier Minister / Dear Prime Minister

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Salutation: Monsieur le Général / Dear General

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Salutation: Monsieur le Lt. Colonel / Dear Lt. Colonel

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and to diplomatic representatives of Haiti accredited to your country.

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or your section office, if sending appeals after 23 March 1993.