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Further information on UA 272/94 (ASA 16/08/94, 18 July 1994) - Fear of Torture

MYANMAR **Khin Zaw Win, aged 44, dentist and graduate student**

Khin Zaw Win has been transferred from the Military Intelligence detention centre where he had been detained since his arrest to Insein Prison in Yangon (Rangoon). In view of the many reports it has received of the torture and ill-treatment of prisoners in Insein prison, Amnesty International remains concerned for Khin Zaw Win's safety in detention.

He is being detained in a cell with another activist from the National League for Democracy (NLD), the main political opposition party in Myanmar. He has not yet been charged with any offence. Khin Zaw Win's wife has been able to visit her husband on at least one occasion since his arrest.

Khin Zaw Win, who worked for UNICEF in Yangon between 1991 and 1993, was arrested on 4 July at Yangon airport as he attempted to board a plane to Singapore, where he is studying for a Masters degree on a Singapore Government scholarship.

FURTHER RECOMMENDED ACTION: Please send telegrams/telexes/faxes/express and airmail letters

- expressing concern at the continued detention of Khin Zaw Win;
- welcoming the fact that Khin Zaw Win's wife has been able to visit him, and seeking further assurances that his treatment in detention conforms to international standards, and that he be given access to a lawyer and medical personnel, as well as to his family;
- urging that he be promptly charged with a recognizably criminal offence, or released.

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