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Further information on UA 82/93 (AMR 46/07/93, 24 March 1993) - Death Threats

PERU: Cecilia VALENZUELA (female), journalist

Amnesty International continues to be seriously concerned for the safety of Cecilia Valenzuela, a journalist writing for the weekly magazine Caretas, who has reportedly recently received further death threats.

According to the information received by Amnesty International, on 1 May 1993, while Cecilia Valenzuela was celebrating her birthday at a friend's house, a bouquet of flowers was delivered to the house with a note inside which stated "you are going to die". Previously, Caretas had received anonymous phone calls threatening Cecilia Valenzuela, following the publication by the magazine of the first of a two part report providing information on a death squad operating inside the army believed to be responsible for the "disappearance" and death of nine students and a lecturer.

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

- expressing concern at the continuing harassment and new death threats to journalist Cecilia Valenzuela;
- asking the authorities what steps have been taken to guarantee her physical safety;
- urging the authorities to initiate a full and independent investigation into the death threats, making the findings public and bringing to justice those responsible for the threats.

APPEALS TO:

1) President:

Presidente Alberto Fujimori
Presidente de la República
Palacio de Gobierno
Plaza de Armas
Lima 1, PERU

Telegrams: Presidente Fujimori, Lima, Peru

Telexes: 20167 PE PALACIO

Salutation: Señor Presidente / Dear President

2) Minister of the Interior:

General EP Juan Briones Dávila
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San Isidro, Urb. Córpac
Lima 27, PERU

Telegrams: Ministro Interior Briones, Lima, Perú
Télexes: 21133 PE OCMI/21697

Salutation: Señor Ministro / Dear Minister

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3) Minister of Defence:

General EPVictor Malca Villanueva
Ministro de Defensa
Ministerio de Defensa
Avda. Boulevard
Monterrico
Lima 33, PERU

Telegrams: Ministro de Defensa Villanueva, Lima, Peru
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Salutation: Señor Ministro / Dear Minister

COPIES OF YOUR APPEALS TO:

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Camaná 615, Of.308
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and to diplomatic representatives of Peru accredited to your country.

PLEASE SEND APPEALS IMMEDIATELY. Check with the International Secretariat,
or your section office, if sending appeals after 24 June 1993.