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Further information on UA 209/91 (EUR 44/81/91, 14 June 1991) and follow-ups
EUR 44/82/91 (17 June 1991) and EUR 44/84/91 (21 June 1991) - Fear of Torture

Turkey: Cavidan Kocaacar (f)
Murat Demir, lawyer

Bedii Yarayici, lawyer
Deniz Teztel (f), journalist

Tülay Avci (f)
Fatma Öcalan (f)
Hatice Suna (f)
Ümmet Suna
Necmi Suna, non-commissioned officer
Lütfü Topal

new names: Fethiye Pek_en (f), lawyer
Yusuf _ahin, non-commissioned officer

On 3 July 1991, the lawyer Fethiye Pek_en was detained in Istanbul, reportedly on the instructions of the Prosecutor's Office at Ankara State Security Court. Fethiye Pek_en was then transferred to Ankara, where she is held incommunicado at the Ankara Police Headquarters. According to Turkish press reports she was detained in connection with the investigation against the above named people.

The Turkish newspapers had reported on 29 June that the lawyers Murat Demir and Bedii Yarayici, the journalist Deniz Teztel as well as Hatice Suna, Ümmet Suna, Necmi Suna and Lütfü Topal were charged on 28 June and committed to prison. Cavidan Kocaacar and _ükrü Gürsel (not named in the UA) were released. No information was given about Tülay Avci and Fatma Öcalan. According to these reports the lawyers and the journalist were arrested on the grounds that they "acted as couriers for the illegal Dev Sol (Revolutionary Left) organization".

Cavidan Kocaacar is reported to have stated after release that they had been subjected to severe torture while in police custody and that a non-commissioned officer, Yusuf _ahin, was still being interrogated at Ankara Police Headquarters.

FURTHER RECOMMENDED ACTION: Telegrams/telexes/faxes/express and airmail letters:

- urging that Fethiye Pek_en and Yusuf _ahin are given immediate access to their families and lawyers and that they are not ill-treated while in detention;
- requesting to be informed of any charges against them;

- appealing that a thorough and independent investigation is initiated into the torture allegations raised by Cavidan Kocaacar; and requesting to be informed of its methods and findings.

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and to diplomatic representatives of Turkey in your country.

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