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**Further Information on UA 270/06 (ASA 37/028/2006, 9 October 2006)
Disappearance/abduction**

SRI LANKA Balasingham Sugumar (m) aged about 50, Dean of the faculty of Arts and Culture, Eastern University, Batticaloa Town, Batticaloa District

Amnesty International has received information that Balasingham Sugumar was released on the evening of 10 October in Batticaloa Town, Batticaloa district.

Dr. Balasingham Sugumar was abducted by unidentified armed men from his home in Batticaloa Town on 30 September. He was reportedly released late at night and returned home unharmed and in good health

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His place of detention, the identity of his abductors and whether they made any demands of him are at present unknown,

No further action is required. Thank you to all those who sent appeals.