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Please bring this action to the attention of the campaign coordinator in your section.

Further information on UA 32/93 (AFR 20/06/93, 10 February 1993) - and follow-up AFR 20/11/93, 11 March 1993 - Extrajudicial execution/fear of extrajudicial execution

CHAD: Inhabitants of Goré town and villages in the surrounding area in Moyen-Chari district at least 45 of whom have been killed including:

Djimta BALO, trader, aged 32
Matthieu NDOTOLOUM, Protestant pastor
Jacob DIBO, pastor
Gabriel MBAÏTOLOUM, Catechist
Rachel YOHODUTUM (female)
Alphonse NDOOYO, driver
Maoundé Mbaléri)
Issa Mbaléri) all male members
Maoundé Bawa) of the Peul
Yainlé Gourde) ethnic group
Pasteur Jacques DIEDJE)

A transitional government which assumed the running of the country at the beginning of April 1993, following its election by a National Conference held at the beginning of the year to discuss the Chad's social and political future, announced that a commission of inquiry would be sent to southern Chad to investigate widespread reports of army atrocities there since 21 January 1993. The inquiry took place from 19 to 28 April 1993. It was composed of eight government and security officials, including the Minister of Defence, two members of the transitional legislative body known as the Conseil supérieur de la transition (CST), two members of human rights groups and three journalists.

The commission made a number of recommendations in order to bring an end to the atrocities, including the removal of military officers implicated in human rights violations and the withdrawal of their military units. The military units should be replaced by gendarmes units. The commission also stated that those implicated in the atrocities should be brought to justice.

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

- welcoming the transitional government's decision to initiate a commission of inquiry, which contains independent as well as government delegates, and asking that the full report and its recommendations be made public;

- urging the government to implement immediately the recommendations of the inquiry and to ensure that no further atrocities take place in southern Chad;

- calling on the government to compensate fully all victims identified by the commission of inquiry and others identified by Amnesty International, mentioning those named above.

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APPEALS TO

1) President:

Général Idriss DEBY
Président de la République
Présidence de la République
N'DJAMENA

République du Tchad

Telegrams: President Déby, N'Djamena, Chad

Telexes: 5201 PRESIREP KD or 5307 PRESIREP KD

Faxes: + 235 51 4501

Salutation: Monsieur le Président de la République / Dear President

2) Minister of Defence:

Monsieur Loum Hinassou LAINA
Ministre délégué auprès de la
Présidence de la République,
chargé de la Défense nationale
Ministère de la Défense nationale
N'DJAMENA

République du Tchad

Telegrams: Ministre Defense, N'Djamena, Chad

Faxes: c/o + 235 51 4501

Salutation: Monsieur le Ministre / Dear Minister

COPIES OF YOUR APPEALS TO

1) Human Rights Organization:

Monsieur Djondang TCHAKNONE
Président
Ligue tchadienne des droits de l'homme
BP 2037
N'Djamena
République du Tchad

2) Newspaper:

Rédacteur-en-Chef
N'Djamena-Hebdo
11 Avenue Charles de Gaulle
BP 760
N'Djamena
République du Tchad

and to diplomatic representatives of Chad accredited to your country

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