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Further information on UA 309/97 (AFR 32/52/97, 30 September 1997) - Fear of refoulement / Arbitrary arrest

KENYAEsdras Twagirimana, Rwandese national

Esdras Twagirimana was released uncharged from Nairobi central police station in early October 1997, a few days after Amnesty International launched its Urgent Action. It is thought that Amnesty International's action may have contributed to his early release.

Following his release, Esdras Twagirimana was told by the Kenyan authorities that he should leave the country within seven days. However, representatives of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR) agreed to study his case further and he has been allowed to remain in Kenya temporarily, pending an interview with UNHCR.

Amnesty International is continuing to monitor his case but no further appeals are required at present. Many thanks to all those took part in this action.