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Further information on UA 412/93 (AFR 53/42/93) - and follow-up: AFR 53/44/93, 25 November 1993 - "Disappearance" / Fear for Physical Safety

SOUTH AFRICA:Clare STEWART, 34-year-old agricultural development worker and African National Congress (ANC) member, northern Natal

Amnesty International is concerned that there has been no apparent progress in the investigation into the abduction and murder of Clare Stewart.

To date, no suspects have been arrested in connection with her death.

Continued pressure on the South African authorities is needed to help ensure that they fully investigate this case.

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

- expressing concern that Clare Stewart, an agricultural development worker from the Mangusi area near the Mozambican border in Natal, was abducted on 10 November 1993;

- noting that on 24 November her body was found near the town of Ingwavuma;

- urging the authorities to take all possible steps necessary to arrest those responsible for her abduction and murder, and to bring them to justice.

APPEALS TO:

 Mr H J Coetsee, Minister of Justice and of Defence Private Bag X276 and X427, Pretoria 0001, South Africa Telegrams: Justice Minister, Pretoria, South Africa Faxes: + 27 12 320 2059 Telexes: 320502 Salutation: Dear Minister

2) Mr H J Kriel, Minister of Law and Order Private Bag X463, Pretoria 0001 South Africa Telegrams: Minister Law/Order, Pretoria, South Africa Telexes: 321353 Faxes: +27 12 322 2559 Salutation: Dear Minister

3) Captain Erasmus, Murder and Robbery Unit Empangeni Police Station, Empangeni 3880, South Africa Telegrams: Captain Erasmus, Empangeni Police Station, Empangeni 3880, South Africa Telephone:+27 351 27412 Salutation: Dear Captain

4) Sgt Van der Westhuizen, Murder and Robbery Unit
Newcastle Police Station, Newcastle 2940, South Africa
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South Africa Telephone: +27 3431 57611/2 Salutation: Dear Sergeant

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- Editor, Natal Mercury, PO Box 950, Durban 4000, South Africa

and to diplomatic representatives of South Africa accredited to your country.

PLEASE SEND APPEALS IMMEDIATELY. Check with the International Secretariat, or your section office, if sending appeals after 17th February 1994.