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Joseph OLENGA Nkoyi (Envoy of
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Amnesty International has received reports that Joseph Olenga Nkoyo, an envoy of the opposition Prime Minister and leader of the Force Novatrice de l'Union Sacrée, was released on 11 May 1993 and then rearrested two days later on the 13 May.

According to sources close to Joseph Olenga Nkoyi, the magistrate who was investigating the case and who had decided to release him, has had the case taken away from him and has been suspended from his post.

There is no further information on the other 17 people arrested throughout April and the organization remains concerned for their safety.

FURTHER RECOMMENDED ACTION: Please send telegrams/express and airmail letters either in French, English or in your own language (Please note that communication with Zaire is very difficult and we have had reports of letters being returned, however, please do try to send appeals by any means you can or ask Zairian diplomatic representatives accredited to your country to arrange delivery for you):

- expressing concern at the reported rearrest by the Zairian security police of Joseph Olenga Nkoyi and his secret and incommunicado detention;

- urging that he be given immediate access to legal counsel, relatives and any necessary medical attention;

- expressing fears for the safety of all the detainees and seeking assurances that they are not being subjected to torture or other forms of cruel, inhuman and degrading treatment;

- expressing extreme concern over the apparently arbitrary dismissal of the magistrate investigating the case of Joseph Olenga Nkoyi and urging the authorities to order the immediate release of all detainees if they are not to be charged with recognizably criminal offences and brought to prompt and fair trials.

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APPEALS TO

1) President:

Son Excellence Monsieur Maréchal

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République du Zaïre

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Salutation: Monsieur le Président/Dear President

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Ministère de la Défense nationale

Kinshasa-Ngaliema

République du Zaïre

Telegrams: Chef d'Etat-Major Eluki, Kinshasa, Zaïre

Salutation: Monsieur le Chef d'Etat-Major/Dear General

3) Head of the national security service

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Telegrams: General Likulia, Kinshasa, Zaïre

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and to diplomatic representatives of Zaire accredited to your country

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or your section office, if sending appeals after 29 July 1993.