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ECUADOR: Isaac Rómulo BUSTOS BERMUDEZ

Several participants of the Urgent Action network have received letters from the Ecuadorean Government or embassies of Ecuador saying that this prisoner has not been tortured nor held in solitary confinement. In some cases a memorandum from the police is attached.

This information contradicts documents in possession of Amnesty International.

Two forensic certificates, one of them from the office of the Procuraduría General del Estado, office of the Attorney General, dated 5 March 1991 state that the forensic examination of Isaac Rómulo Bustos Bermúdez, showed that he had several injuries. The injuries described in both certificates appear to be consistent with the treatment that the prisoner is alleged to have been subjected to.

FURTHER RECOMMENDED ACTION: airmail letters

- thanking the Peruvian authorities for their reply regarding the case of Isaac Rómulo Bustos;
- pointing out that the information of Amnesty International, which is based on two forensic certificates, one of them of the <u>Procuraduría General del Estado</u>, contradicts the information gathered by the Ecuadorean authorities.

APPEALS TO:

1.

Dr. Rodrigo Borja Cevallos Presidente de la República Palacio de Gobierno García Moreno 1043 Quito, ECUADOR Señor Presidente

2.

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COPIES TO:

Señores CEDHU Apartado 720 A Quito, ECUADOR and to diplomatic representatives of Ecuador in your country.

PLEASE SEND APPEALS AS SOON AS YOU CAN. Check with the International Secretariat, or your section office, if sending appeals after 1 November 1991.