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Further information on UA 260/92 (AMR 29/07/92, 7 August 1992) - Apparent extrajudicial execution

EL SALVADOR: Salvador Iván Ramírez - trade unionist

Amnesty International has learnt that a suspect arrested shortly after the July 1992 killing of trade unionist Salvador Iván Ramírez has been convicted and sentenced to 20 years' imprisonment for the murder.

Although there were initial fears that Ramírez's killing may have been a politically-motivated extrajudicial execution, it now appears that he died following a personal dispute with the man convicted for his murder.

Prior to his death, Ramírez had received several death threats and had been active in various labour disputes as Conflict Secretary of the trade union federation FENASTRAS. To Amnesty International's knowledge the death threats have never been investigated.

No further action is requested on this case.