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FURTHER INFORMATION ON MEDICAL LETTER-WRITING ACTION

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Escolástico CALVO

PANAMA

In March and April 1990 information was issued on the situation of Escolástico Calvo, a political prisoner in Panama who is diabetic and who underwent a prostate operation in March this year. Reports at the time suggested that he did not have access to adequate post-operative care in prison.

Several responses have been received from human rights commissions which were active in denouncing violations under the Noriega administration and which state that Escolástico Calvo is now receiving full medical attention. Letters from the Ministry of Health further state that responsibility for the provision of medical care in prisons in Panama now resides with the Ministry of Health.

Amnesty International continues to follow Sr. Calvo's health care as well as the deposition of charges and the conduct of trial proceedings against him.

Please cease all action. No further appeals are requested from medical professionals at present. Thank you for having appealed.