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Further Information on UA 293/05 (AMR 46/013/2005, 18 November 2005) - Fear for safety

PERU Pamela Huaringa Félix (f) Her family

Pamela Huaringa Félix was reportedly abducted on 22 November, by two men who held her prisoner for six hours and beat her. Amnesty International believes that she and her family are in grave danger.

The men apparently seized her as she was walking on the street in the capital, Lima. They covered her face, forced her into the boot of a nearby car and drove to a garage, where they opened the boot and beat her with a blunt instrument while she was still inside. They told her: "Así se sufre adentro, vas a pagar" (This is the way [people] suffer inside, you will pay). She was released that evening near a shanty town on the outskirts of Lima.

This is the latest of a series of acts of intimidation that Pamela Huaringa has suffered. She has filed a complaint and asked the Peruvian authorities to provide her with protection, but Amnesty International is not aware of any investigation being opened, or that Pamela Huaringa has received any protection.

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Please send appeals to arrive as quickly as possible, in Spanish, English or your own language:

- expressing serious concern for the safety of Pamela Huaringa Félix, who was abducted and beaten on 22 November, in what appears to be a further attempt to make her abandon legal action against three police officers accused of torturing her brother;
- calling for a prompt, impartial and independent investigation into the the abduction, with the results made public and those responsible brought to justice, and asking them to inform you of the outcome of this investigation;
- urging the authorities to do everything in their power to guarantee the safety of Pamela Huaringa Félix, in accordance with her own wishes.

APPEALS TO:

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Salutation: Dear Minister/Estimado Sr. Ministro

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Salutation: Dear Attorney General/Sra. Fiscal de la Nación

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and to diplomatic representatives of Peru accredited to your country.

PLEASE SEND APPEALS IMMEDIATELY. Check with the International Secretariat, or your section office, if sending appeals after 5 January 2006.