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PEOPLES REPUBLIC OF CHINA Yu Zhijian, Li Wangyang, Zhang Jingsheng and other
political prisoners at Hunan No.1 Prison

A letter allegedly smuggled out of Hunan No.1 Prison on 23 May 1995 reportedly written by Yu Zhijian, was the subject of an Urgent Action issued on 9 June 1995 because of the seriousness of the allegations of ill-treatment and the potential reprisals for the prisoners involved. Amnesty International has since received several reports which cast serious doubt on the authenticity of the letter: the organization is now investigating these reports.

All appeals for these three prisoners and other appeals resulting from this Urgent Action should cease.