EXTERNAL (for general distribution)

AI Index: ASA 20/06/93

Distr: UA/SC

20 January 1993

Further information on UA 05/93 (ASA 20/03/93, 8 January 1993) - Extrajudicial Execution/Legal Concern

INDIA: At least 53 people in Sopore, Kashmir

The Jammu and Kashmir governor, Mr Girish Saxena has instituted a judicial inquiry into the killings which took place in Sopore. The inquiry, announced in reports of 9 January 1993, is to be held by a sitting judge. One inspector and two sub-inspectors of the Border Security Force (BSF) were suspended immediately after the incident and according to the government. A high-level BSF inquiry found *prima facie* evidence against five more BSF personnel who have also been suspended.

FURTHER RECOMMENDED ACTION: Please send telegrams/telexes/faxes/express and airmail letters in English or your own language:

- Welcoming reports that the government has ordered a judicial inquiry into the incident and urging that the findings of the investigation are immediately made public.

APPEALS TO:

1) Mr Girish Saxena
Governor of Jammu and Kashmir
Office of the Governor
Srinagar
Jammu and Kashmir
India

Telegrams: Governor Jammu and Kashmir, Srinagar, India

Salutation: Dear Governor

2) Mr S.B Chavan Minister of Home Affairs Ministry of Home Affairs North Block New Delhi 119 991

Telegrams: Minister Home Affairs, New Delhi, India

Telexes: 3166427 REND IN

Faxes: + 91 11 301 6781 (Ministry of Foreign Affairs)

Salutation: Dear Minister

COPIES OF YOUR APPEALS TO:

V.K. Kapoor Chief Secretary Government of Jammu and Kashmir Srinagar Jammu and Kashmir India

Page 2 of FU 05/93

S. Sahay
Senior Superintendent of Police
Baramulla District
Jammu and Kashmir
India

and to diplomatic representatives of India accredited to your country.

PLEASE SEND APPEALS IMMEDIATELY. Check with the International Secretariat, or your section office, if sending appeals after 3 March 1993.