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Further information on UA 252/93 (ASA 20/34/93, 3 August 1993) - Continuing reports of Extrajudicial executions in Kashmir

INDIA: Bilal Ahmed, aged 10, his parents and others

Shortly after the shooting of Bilal Ahmed and his parents on 1 August 1993, a sub-inspector of the Border Security Force was suspended from duty and then arrested for his involvement in the killings. The government announced that there would be a court of inquiry into these deaths, and that the Crime Branch would also investigate the killings. A magisterial inquiry was ordered three days later, but its results are not yet known. So far it appears that no inquiry has been initiated into the killings of demonstrators on 2 and 3 August.

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

- welcoming the suspension of the sub-inspector suspected of being involved in the shooting of Bilal Ahmed and his parents and also the inquiries into their deaths;
- expressing concern that no inquiry appears to have been announced into the killings of demonstrators in Srinagar on 2 and 3 August, and urging that this be initiated;
- urging that the results of the inquiries are made public in full and without delay;
- urging that those found responsible for the deaths are brought to justice.

APPEALS TO:

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Telegrams: Governor Jammu and Kashmir, Srinagar, India

Salutation: Dear Governor

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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 2 November 1993.