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Further Information on UA 95/03 (ASA 21/010/03, 9 April 2003) and follow-up (ASA 21/011/2003, 11 April 2003) - Fear of torture

INDONESIA Elias Tabuni (m)

Wim Logo (m) Yapenas Murib (m) Kanius Murib (m)

new names: Sam Telingan (m)

Around 15 other men, names unknown

A human rights activist who was briefly detained at Jayawijaya Military District Command (Kodim) in Wamena town on 12 April reported seeing at least 20 people in detention. Many of the detainees were reportedly injured as a result of being tortured.

Sam Telingan and one other person were arrested in Ilekma sub-village, Sinakma around 3 kilometres from Wamena town on 12 April. They were arrested during a military operation which was intended to find suspected members of the pro-independence armed opposition group, the Free Papua Movement (*Organisasi Papua Merdeka*, OPM). A number of other people were beaten, houses broken into and possessions stolen. Nine houses were also burnt down. According to local human rights monitors, Ilekma was targeted on the basis of information extracted under torture from detainees in Kodim.

Elias Tabuni, Wim Logo, Yapenas Murib and Kanius Murib are among those known to be still detained in Kodim.

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

- expressing concern for the safety of Elias Tabuni, Wim Logo, Yapenas Murib, Kanius Murib, Sam Telingan and others who are currently being held in the Kodim in Wamena, Papua;
- expressing concern about reports that detainees in Kodim, as well as a number of inhabitants of Ilekma sub-village, been subjected to beatings and other forms of torture or ill-treatment;
- urging the authorities to provide guarantees that the they will not be subjected to further torture or ill-treatment and that allegations of such treatment will be immediately, thoroughly and independently investigated;
- urging that the detainees are immediately transferred to police custody and charged with a recognizable criminal offence or released;
- calling for them to be provided with access to lawyers, relatives and medical attention;
- calling on the authorities to guarantee the safety of human rights monitors in carrying out their legitimate work in accordance with the UN Declaration on the Right and Responsibility of Individuals, Groups and Organs of Society to Promote and Protect Universally Recognized Human Rights and Fundamental Freedoms.

## **APPEALS TO:**

Military Commander, Kodam VIII / XVII Trikora

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Salutation: Dear Brigadier General

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Salutation: Dear Lieutenant General

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and to diplomatic representatives of Indonesia accredited to your country.

**PLEASE SEND APPEALS IMMEDIATELY.** Check with the International Secretariat, or your section office, if sending appeals after 26 May 2003.