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Further information on EXTRA 57/96 (ASA 21/24/96, 25 April 1996) - Fear of torture / Excessive use of force

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Amnesty International has just learned that 12 soldiers are to face court martial later this month for their role in the way that the demonstrations in Ujung Pandang, south Sulawesi, in April 1996 were handled.

The military authorities have confirmed that three people were killed during the protests, while independent lawyers claim that a total of six people died (listed above). Amnesty International is concerned by allegations that the deaths were the result of excessive force used by the military against the protestors. The organization will continue to investigate these allegations and to press for any investigations undertaken by the authorities to be thorough and independent.

No further action by the Urgent Action Network is requested. Thank you to all who sent appeals on this case.