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Further information on UA 128/97 (AI Index: ASA 21/32/97) 2 May 1997) - Torture/fear of torture/Possible "disappearance"

EAST TIMORMoises Lobato Pereira (26)

Sebastiao Pereira (29)

Domingas da Costa (f) (23)

Sidonio Ximenes (35)

Amnesty International has been informed that Moises Lobato Pereira, Sebastio Pereira and Domingos da Costa have been released. There is currently no information on when they were released or about their condition. Sidonio Ximenes is still believed to be in detention. It is not known if he has been formally charged.

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

- welcoming the release of Moises Lobato Pereira, Sebastiao Pereira and Domingas da Costa and calling for the release of Sidinio Ximenes if he is not to be charged with a recognizable criminal offence;
- asking for clarification of the whereabouts of Sidonio Ximenes and seeking assurances that he is has access to independent legal advisors, medical attention and to his family;
- calling for an immediate, impartial and thorough investigation into reports that all four have been subjected to torture and for those responsible to be brought to justice.

APPEALS TO:

Military Commander Region IX/Udayana (Covers Bali, Lombok, Nusa Tenggara and East Timor) Major General Rivai Pangdam IX/Udayana Markas Besar KODAM IX/Udayana Denpasar, Bali Indonesia

Telegrams: Pangdam IX, Udayanga, Denpasar, Bali, Indonesia Salutation: Dear Major General Rivai

Commander of the Armed Forces (ABRI) General Feisal Tanjung Panglima ABRI Markas Besar ABRI Jl Medan Merdeka Barat No 13 Jakarta Timur

Telegrams: Markas Besar ABRI, Jakarta Timur, Indonesia Salutation: Dear General Feisal Tanjung

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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 19 August 1997.