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Further information on UA 166/01 (ASA 28/018/2001,5 July 2001) and follow-up (ASA 28/019/2001,9 July 2001) - Fear of torture or ill-treatment / incommunicado detention / prisoner of conscience

MALAYSIAMohamad Fuad Mohd Ikhwan, student, aged 22 Khairul Anuar Ahmad Zainuddin, student, aged 24

Mohamad Fuad Mohd Ikhwan was reportedly released unconditionally on 16 July. However, Khairul Anuar Ahmad Zainuddin is still detained under the Internal Security Act (ISA).

Mohamad Fuad Mohd Ikhwan, who is President of the Student Representative Council of the *University Malaya*, had been arrested on 6 July and held without charge under the ISA. After his release he is reported to have said he was "fine", but did not give further details of his treatment in Special Branch (state security police) custody.

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

- welcoming the release of Mohamad Fuad Mohd Ikhwan and calling for the immediate and unconditional release of Khairul Anuar Ahmad Zainuddin, who has been detained solely for his peaceful political activities;
- urging the authorities to guarantee that he will not be subjected to physical or psychological torture or ill-treatment;
- calling for the authorities to allow him immediate and regular access to lawyers, his family and independent medical attention;
- urging that the ISA be repealed or amended, so that it no longer allows for the detention without trial of those exercising their right to peaceful freedom of expression or assembly;
- urging the authorities not to penalize students for exercising their right to engage in peaceful political activity.

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Minister of Home Affairs & Deputy Prime Minister

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and to diplomatic representatives of Malaysia accredited to your country.

PLEASE SEND APPEALS IMMEDIATELY. Check with the International Secretariat, or your section office, if sending appeals after 20 August 2001.