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Further information on UA 416/93 (ASA 37/26/93, 26 November 1993) - Arbitrary and unacknowledged arrest/Fear of "disappearance"

SRI LANKA:Runanin Predip Kumar Sebagnanam (20), student at the English Medium School

Amnesty International has learned that Runanin Predip Kumar Sebagnanam, who was arrested at his grandparent's house in Colombo on 20 October 1993, has been located in detention on the 4th floor of the Criminal Investigation Department. Members of the Human Rights Task Force visited him there on 5 November but they apparently did not inform his family of his whereabouts at that time.

According to the Human Rights Task Force, R P K Sebagnanam complained to them of being assaulted and of pain in his head and arms. They requested from the authorities that he receive medical attention. They also requested that the case against him be expedited, or if there were no charges made against him, that he be released.

Relatives have now been told that they can visit Runanin Predip Kumar Sebagnanam in detention.

There is no need for further action. Thank you to all who sent appeals.