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Title: The human rights dimension in Sub-Saharan Africa

Abstract: This is the text of an address given by Pierre Sanz, Secretary General of AI, to the Royal Institute of International Affairs, Chatham House, on 6 December 1994.

Keywords: SECRETARY GENERAL /

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Pages: 15

Date: 1 January 1995

Title: Africa: Kenya, Tanzania, Uganda, Zambia and Zimbabwe: attacks on human rights through the misuse of criminal charges

Abstract: This report discusses evidence of a pattern of human rights violation emerging in parts of Africa in which governments publicly committed to political pluralism adopt methods of curbing domestic opposition and criticism designed to minimize international disapproval and to keep intact their democratic reputations. Certain types of criminal charge are used increasingly frequently by governments seeking to restrict peaceful political activity or dissent. They include sedition, contempt of court, defamation, possession of classified information and holding meetings or demonstrations without official permission. Those victimized are often those at the heart of efforts to build strong civil societies: journalists, lawyers, human rights activists, intellectuals, opposition politicians and other activists. The countries concerned in this report - Kenya, Tanzania, Uganda, Zambia and Zimbabwe - have been chosen because of their geographical proximity and because, as former British colonies, their legal systems have much in common.

Keywords: EDITORS / JOURNALISTS / POLITICALLY MOTIVATED CRIMINAL CHARGES / BANNING / CENSORSHIP / CONSTITUTIONAL CHANGE / DEMONSTRATIONS / EAST AFRICA / KENYA / LAWYERS / POLITICAL ACTIVISTS / POLITICIANS / PRISONERS OF CONSCIENCE / PUBLISHERS / REARREST / SOUTHERN AFRICA / TANZANIA / TORTURE/ILLEGAL TREATMENT / TRADE UNIONISTS / UGANDA / ZAMBIA / ZIMBABWE /

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Pages: 3

Date: 27 January 1995

Title: Cameroon: Medical letter writing action: prisoners in need of medical attention

Abstract: Twenty-eight members of one of Cameroon's opposition parties, the Union pour la démocratie et le progrès (UNDP), were arrested in the town of Maroua in July 1994. It is believed that some may be prisoners of conscience. AI is concerned about reports that some of them are in need of medical attention and are without access to treatment. Prison conditions are very poor in Maroua prison, with severe overcrowding. An estimated 200 prisoners are reported to have died there in 1994, due to malnutrition and lack of medical care. Those reported to be in most need of medical care are: Saidou Katchalla, Hamadou Mazoumai, Yougouda Garga, Hamadou Garga and Hamadou Siddi.

Keywords: HEALTH / PRISON CONDITIONS / AGED / DEATH IN CUSTODY / MEDICAL ACTIONS / POLITICAL ACTIVISTS / POLITICAL GROUPS /

AI Index: AFR 54/44/94

Pages: 34

Date: 25 January 1995

Title: Sudan campaign 25 January 1995 to end July 1995: "The tears of orphans": no future without human rights: cases for appeals

Abstract: This report contains 15 cases which illustrate the wide range of AI's concerns in Sudan. The abuses described have been committed both by government forces and by the two factions of the SPLA. The cases are: unfair trial and torture of former government minister Abdelrahman Abdallah Nurgdallah; torture of Dr Gaafar Yassin Ahmad Abdullah; repeated detention of Sara Abdallah Abdelrahman Nurgdallah; "disappearance" of Karshum Mango Aitia; death from torture of Nadir Abdel Hamid Khairy; cruel punishments in law, especially for women; "disappearance" of Alfred Yoron Modi; killing of Martin Majier Gai by SPLA-Mainstream; Nuer women arbitrarily killed by SPLA-Mainstream; Dinka civilians killed by SPLA-United; 28 army officers summarily executed; harassment of relatives of executed officers; abduction of two girls Apiu Majok, 12, and her sister Fleur, 9; detention and ill-treatment of "Joseph", aged 11; and the killing of Dinka fishermen by government troops.

Keywords: CHILDREN / ETHNIC GROUPS / EXTRAJUDICIAL EXECUTION / TORTURE/ILL-TREATMENT / TRIALS / WOMEN / ACADEMICS / ARBITRARY ARREST / ARMED CONFLICT / BANNING / BROADCASTERS / CIVIL SERVANTS / CONFESSIONS / CORPORAL PUNISHMENT / DEATH IN CUSTODY / DISAPPEARANCES / DISPLACED PEOPLE / ENGINEERS / FAMILIES / FISHERMEN / INCOMMUNICADO DETENTION / MILITARY / MILITARY AS VICTIMS / MILITARY TRIBUNALS / NON-GOVERNMENTAL ENTITIES / OPPOSITION POLITICIANS / PHARMACISTS / PHOTOGRAPHS / POLICE / POLITICAL ACTIVISTS / PRISONERS OF CONSCIENCE / PRISONERS' TESTIMONIES / REARREST / RELIGIOUS GROUPS - CATHOLIC / RELIGIOUS GROUPS - ISLAMIC / TEACHERS /

AI Index: AFR 54/49/94

Pages: 2

Date: 25 January 1995

Title: Sudan: Briefing leaflet - Opposition abuses: the Sudanese People's Liberation Army and human rights

Abstract: This leaflet briefly describes the history of the Sudan People's Liberation Army (SPLA) and some of the human rights abuses attributed to both factions of that organization. AI calls on each faction of the SPLA to honour their obligations under international humanitarian law.

Keywords: ARMED CONFLICT / NON-GOVERNMENTAL ENTITIES / PHOTOGRAPHS /

AI Index: AFR 54/50/94

Pages: 2

Date: 25 January 1995

Title: Sudan: Briefing leaflet - Creating famine: human rights abuse and humanitarian disaster

Abstract: This two-page leaflet describes the plight of millions of Sudanese people who have become victims of a famine created by the conflict between government forces and the SPLA. In addition to losing their homes, livelihoods and traditional sources of food, they have also suffered gross abuse of their human rights.

Keywords: ARMED CONFLICT / DISPLACED PEOPLE / PHOTOGRAPHS /

AI Index: AFR 54/51/94

Pages: 2

Date: 25 January 1995

Title: Sudan: Briefing leaflet - A call to action: international human rights monitors

Abstract: In this leaflet, AI calls for the creation of a team of international civilian human rights monitors by the appropriate civilian organization to monitor the massive abuse of human rights currently taking place in Sudan. AI is further calling on the Sudan Government and both factions of the SPLA to demonstrate commitment to honouring Sudan's human rights obligations by inviting such a team to operate in areas under their respective control.

Keywords: INVESTIGATION OF ABUSES / PHOTOGRAPHS /

AI Index: AFR 54/52/94

Pages: 2

Date: 25 January 1995

Title: Sudan: Briefing leaflet - Hiding behind Islam: the Sudan Government and human rights criticism

Abstract: The Sudanese Government has dismissed criticism of its human rights record as being unfair and arising from a Western conspiracy against Islam. AI believes that the government is using the issue of religion to divert attention from the gross human rights violations committed by its forces. AI takes no position on Islam or any other religion; neither does it take a position on the ideological motivation of the Sudanese Government or of its critics.

Keywords: LEGISLATION / PHOTOGRAPHS /

AI Index: AFR 54/53/94

Pages: 2

Date: 25 January 1995

Title: Sudan: Briefing leaflet - Human rights abuses against women

Abstract: This leaflet briefly describes the human rights violations facing women caught up in the conflict in Sudan. Politically active women have been harassed and imprisoned without trial or have been made to report to security officers each day for long periods. Sections in the penal code are used particularly against women. In the war zones, many gross human rights, including rape, torture and killing, have been perpetrated against women by both sides.

Keywords: EXTRAJUDICIAL EXECUTION / LEGISLATION / POLITICAL ACTIVISTS / WOMEN /

AI Index: AFR 54/54/94

Pages: 2

Date: 25 January 1995

Title: Sudan: Briefing leaflet - The Penal Code: human rights violations enshrined in law

Abstract: The Penal Code introduced by Sudan's government in 1991 contains provisions which violate fundamental human rights. AI is calling on the Sudanese Government to take immediate steps to revise the Penal Code to remove the offence of apostasy and the punishments of flogging, amputation, mutilation and death. AI does not take any position on Islam or any other religion or on whether laws should or should not derive from an interpretation of a religion: the organization's concern is whether the Penal Code violates internationally recognized rights and freedoms.

Keywords: AMPUTATION / CORPORAL PUNISHMENT / DEATH PENALTY / LEGISLATION / RELIGIOUS INTOLERANCE /

AI Index: AFR 54/01/95

Pages: 8

Date: 1 January 1995

Title: Sudan: What future for human rights: an Amnesty International briefing

Abstract: No future without human rights /dismantling civil society /women under attack /the search for safety /decades of war /the roots of humanitarian disaster /eliminating the opposition /a "new Sudan" /"National Salvation" /street children /the seeds of the future /recommendations.

Keywords: ARMED CONFLICT / CHILDREN / DISPLACED PEOPLE / INCOMMUNICADO DETENTION / MILITARY / NON-GOVERNMENTAL ENTITIES / POLITICAL GROUPS / RELIGIOUS GROUPS / TORTURE/IL-TREATMENT / WOMEN / BANNING / CENSORSHIP / CORPORAL PUNISHMENT / EMERGENCY LEGISLATION / EXTRAJUDICIAL EXECUTION / JUDGES / SEXUAL ASSAULT /

AI Index: AFR 54/02/95

Pages: 132

Date: 1 January 1995

Title: Sudan: "The tears of orphans": no future without human rights

Abstract: Sudan, one of the world's poorest countries, has been racked for the past decade by a bitter war between the military government and rebels of the SPLA. All sides are guilty of gross human rights violations and of exploiting ethnic and religious divisions to cause bitter local conflicts. This report describes the consequences for civil society in Sudan as the military government, which seized power in 1989, seeks to consolidate its control and reshape social institutions according to its ideological program of radical Islam. It also gives an account of abuses committed in the context of the war, both by government forces and by both factions of the SPLA. These include torture, killings, "disappearances" and enslavement of women and children and have been reported from the north as well as from the south. The report concludes with AI's recommendations to both government and rebels in Sudan and to the international community.

Keywords: ARBITRARY ARREST / ARMED CONFLICT / CHILDREN / DISPLACED PEOPLE / ETHNIC GROUPS / FORCED LABOUR / IMPUNITY / INCOMMUNICADO DETENTION / MILITARY / NON-GOVERNMENTAL ENTITIES / POLITICAL GROUPS / RELIGIOUS GROUPS / TORTURE/IL-TREATMENT / WOMEN / AI AND GOVERNMENTS / AMPUTATION / BANNING / CENSORSHIP / CIVIL SERVANTS / CORPORAL PUNISHMENT / COUPS / DEATH IN CUSTODY /

DEATH PENALTY / DISAPPEARANCES / EMERGENCY LEGISLATION / EXTRAJUDICIAL EXECUTION / INDEPENDENCE OF JUDICIARY / JOURNALISTS / LAWYERS / MILITARY AS VICTIMS / MILITARY TRIBUNALS / PHOTOGRAPHS / POLICE/MILITARY TESTIMONIES / PRISONERS' TESTIMONIES / RELIEF WORKERS / RELIGIOUS INTOLERANCE / RESTRAINTS / SEXUAL ASSAULT / STUDENTS / TRADE UNIONISTS / TRANSPORTATION / TRIALS /

AI Index: AFR 59/04/94

Pages: 5

Date: 1 December 1994

Title: Uganda: Detentions of suspected government opponents without charge or trial in the North

Abstract: AI is concerned about the unlawful detention without charge or trial of at least 168 people by the army. They have been held in the military barracks on the edge of Gulu town, northern Uganda, some for over three months. 100 were eventually released without charge but at least 60 remain detained, apparently uncharged. The detentions occur in the context of continuing counter-insurgency operations in the North by the army against the LRA, an armed opposition group itself responsible for human rights abuses. AI fears that many of those still detained may be prisoners of conscience, imprisoned for non-violent political beliefs which they hold, or are believed to hold by virtue of their Acoli ethnic origin. Three testimonies are included here, describing conditions of detention.

Keywords: ARBITRARY ARREST / DETENTION WITHOUT TRIAL / UNLAWFUL DETENTION / ARMED CONFLICT / CONDITIONAL RELEASE / ETHNIC GROUPS / INCOMMUNICADO DETENTION / MILITARY / MISSIONS / POLITICAL PRISONERS / TEACHERS / TORTURE/ILL-TREATMENT CHILE /

AI Index: AMR 22/01/95

Pages: 4

Date: 1 January 1995

Title: Chile: Five new cases of torture and ill-treatment

Abstract: AI welcomes the legislative measures adopted by the Chilean Government to prevent and punish torture and notes the decrease in reports of torture during 1994. Nevertheless, AI remains concerned by the fact that it continues to receive reports of torture from Chile and that the authorities appear to have been unable to secure convictions against those responsible. The allegations of torture described here have been registered by AI in recent weeks. Methods of torture included beating and electric shocks. None of the cases involved individuals accused of politically motivated offences. The cases summarized here are: Jaime Humberto Jorquera Arellano; Roberto Catalan Valenzuela, Jorge Patricio de la Cruz Ortiz and Cecilia Maria Silva Godoy.

Keywords: POLICE / TORTURE/ILL-TREATMENT / CONFESSIONS / DRIVERS / EXTORTION / HOUSEWIVES / MANUAL WORKERS / MEDICAL CONFIRMATION / TRADERS / UN CONVENTION AGAINST TORTURE / WOMEN /

AI Index: AMR 22/03/95

Pages: 2

Date: 13 January 1995

Title: Chile: Human rights lawyer charged with sedition: case reopened by the Supreme Court

Abstract: On 2 December 1994 the Third Chamber of the Supreme Court reopened the case against human rights lawyer Hector Salazar Ardiles, following an appeal by the Military Public Ministry against the closure of the case. The charges against Hector Salazar were originally brought by the Second Military Prosecutor's Office, following media interviews in which Hector Salazar had criticized the chief of Carabineros, General Rodolfo Stange, who had been named as one of seven Carabinero officials involved in obstructing investigations into the killings of three members of the Communist Party in 1985. AI is concerned that the reopening of this case shows that restrictions on freedom of expression continue to apply in Chile, especially regarding investigations into gross human rights violations.

Keywords: CENSORSHIP / HUMAN RIGHTS ACTIVISTS / INVESTIGATION OF ABUSES / LAWYERS / MILITARY /

AI Index: AMR 43/04/94

Pages: 3

Date: 1 November 1994

Title: Nicaragua: The case of Jean Paul Genie

Abstract: AI has been monitoring the investigation into the killing of Jean Paul Genie Lacayo for the past four years. This report summarizes AI's concerns about serious irregularities in the judicial proceedings. Jean Paul Genie Lacayo, 16, was shot dead on 28 October 1990 as he attempted to overtake what is alleged to have been a military escort for General Humberto Ortega. The investigation into the killing is under the jurisdiction of the military justice system. AI considers that this has proved to be a major obstacle to the bringing to justice of those responsible for the killing. AI has urged the authorities repeatedly in recent years to end the impunity which has surrounded alleged human rights violations, both by government forces and armed rebel groups in Nicaragua.

Keywords: IMPUNITY / INDEPENDENCE OF JUDICIARY / EXTRAJUDICIAL EXECUTION / HARASSMENT / JUVENILES / MILITARY /

AI Index: AMR 51/01/95

Pages: 22

Date: 1 January 1995

Title: United States of America: Developments on the death penalty during 1994

Abstract: Monitoring of the death penalty in the USA during 1994 provided further evidence that death sentences are imposed disproportionately on the poor, on minorities, on the mentally ill or retarded and on those without adequate legal counsel. At least two black prisoners executed during 1994 had been convicted and sentenced to death by all-white juries. In a third case, details of jury misinformation, misconduct and racial bias during the sentencing deliberations came to light shortly before the prisoner was executed but were not deemed grounds for granting clemency. Executive clemency was denied in a number of strongly deserving cases, including that of a Florida prisoner against whom there was little evidence of guilt. Several prisoners executed in 1994 had presented clear signs of mental illness or retardation. At the end of 1994, at least 37 juvenile offenders were on death row. Other topics reported are: the involvement of health professionals in executions;

state legislation on the death penalty during 1994; cost of the death penalty; and the statement of the Roman Catholic Bishops of Louisiana opposing the death penalty.

Keywords: DEATH PENALTY / LEGISLATION / MENTAL HEALTH / MINORITIES / RACIAL DISCRIMINATION / COMMUTATION / CONFESSIONS / JUVENILES / PARDONS / PRISONERS' LISTS / PRISONERS' TESTIMONIES / PROFESSIONAL ETHICS / STATISTICS / TRIALS /

AI Index: AMR 51/07/95

Pages: 5

Date: 1 January 1995

Title: United States of America: Follow-up to Amnesty International's open letter to the President on the death penalty

Abstract: This document reiterates the concerns presented in an Open Letter to President Bill Clinton in January 1994 (AMR 51/04/94), in which AI called for the establishment of a Presidential Commission on the death penalty, with a moratorium on executions until its findings were reported. By the end of 1994, AI had received no substantive response from the US Government. Meanwhile, AI's grounds for concern about the application of the death penalty in the US steadily increased. These concerns are outlined in a companion paper to the present report, "US: Developments on the death penalty during 1994" (AMR 51/01/95), issued in January 1995.

Keywords: DEATH PENALTY / AI AND GOVERNMENTS / JUVENILES / MENTAL HEALTH / MINORITIES / PARDONS / RACIAL DISCRIMINATION / RELEASE /

AI Index: AMR 51/09/95

Pages: 4

Date: 1 January 1995

Title: United States of America: Possible reinstatement of death penalty in New York

Abstract: The new State Governor of New York, George E. Pataki, has announced his support for reinstating the death penalty. AI believes that legislation could be introduced very early in 1995, possibly even in January. In this report, AI calls on the authorities in New York to abandon plans to restore the death penalty. The report discusses the question of deterrence and the death penalty and the apparent popular support for the death penalty in the United States. It presents AI's arguments against reinstatement of the death penalty, which include arbitrary and racial use of the death penalty, risk of executing innocent people, cost and the doubts expressed by former US Supreme Court justices.

Keywords: DEATH PENALTY / MINORITIES / RACIAL DISCRIMINATION /

AI Index: AISA 17/03/95

Pages: 3**Date:** 24 January 1995**Title:** China: Medical letter writing action: health concern: Bao Tong

Abstract: AI is concerned about the health of Bao Tong, a 62-year-old prisoner of conscience sentenced to seven-years' imprisonment in 1992, having been first arrested on 28 May 1989. In recent years he has undergone several operations for polyps in the colon: his white cell count is now reported to be half the normal minimum and he is reportedly showing signs of fatigue and inflammatory pain. He is held in Beijing First Hospital and is returned to Qinheng prison for family visits each month. His family are therefore unable to consult the doctors treating him. A request for Bao Tong to be examined by a doctor of the family's choice has been refused. AI is calling for his condition to be monitored properly and is also seeking his immediate release as a prisoner of conscience.

Keywords: HEALTH / PRISON CONDITIONS / LONG-TERM IMPRISONMENT / MEDICAL ACTIONS / PRISONERS OF CONSCIENCE /

AI Index: AISA 20/01/95

Pages: 129**Date:** 31 January 1995**Title:** India: Torture and deaths in custody in Jammu and Kashmir

Abstract: This report details the cases of 715 detainees who died in the custody of Indian security forces in the state of Jammu and Kashmir in the period 1990-1994. They were allegedly tortured to death or shot outright. In areas where government forces are engaged in counter-insurgency operations against armed groups fighting for independence or for the state to join Pakistan, the entire civilian population is at risk of arbitrary detention, torture, even death. Most of the victims are young men, detained during "crackdown" operations to identify armed militants. Almost all those detained are tortured: many do not survive, others are left disabled or mutilated. Scores of women in Jammu and Kashmir claim to have been raped by security forces. Armed militants have also committed gross abuses, including kidnapping, torture and murder: these are also described. The legal framework within which these violations occur is discussed.

Keywords: ARMED CONFLICT / DEATH IN CUSTODY / EMERGENCY LEGISLATION / EXTRAJUDICIAL EXECUTION / IMPUNITY / INCOMMUNICADO DETENTION / MILITARY / NON-GOVERNMENTAL ENTITIES / POLICE / POST MORTEM / PRISONERS' LISTS / TORTURE/ABUSE-TREATMENT / ACADEMICS / AI AND GOVERNMENTS / BROADCASTERS / BUSINESS PEOPLE / CHILDREN / CIVIL SERVANTS / DISABLEMENT / DOCTORS / ENGINEERS / FAMILIES / FOREIGN NATIONALS / HARASSMENT / HOSTAGE TAKING / HUMAN RIGHTS ACTIVISTS / INVESTIGATION OF ABUSES / JOURNALISTS / JUVENILES / MANUAL WORKERS / MEDICAL TREATMENT / PHOTOGRAPHS / POLICE AS VICTIMS / POLITICAL ACTIVISTS / POLITICIANS / PREGNANCY / PRISON CONDITIONS / PRISONERS' TESTIMONIES / RELIGIOUS OFFICIALS - ISLAMIC / RETAIL WORKERS / SEXUAL ASSAULT / STUDENTS / TEACHERS / TORTURE TECHNIQUES / WOMEN /

 AI Index: AISA 21/01/95

Pages: 74

Date: 1 January 1995

Title: Indonesia and East Timor: Political prisoners and the "rule of law"

Abstract: This report discusses why, despite the government's often stated commitment to promoting internationally-accepted human rights standards, the practice of political imprisonment persists in Indonesia and East Timor. It describes the legislative and procedural apparatus used to imprison and intimidate real and alleged dissidents. Various aspects of the process of political imprisonment are briefly examined, focusing on unfair trials, prison conditions, terms of remission, detention without trial and restrictions following release. The report also describes the experiences of some of the 350 men and women who remain in prison for their political beliefs, nearly 30 years after the coming to power of the New Order.

Keywords: CONFESSIONS / LEGISLATION / LONG-TERM IMPRISONMENT / POLITICAL ACTIVISTS / POLITICAL PRISONERS / PRISONERS OF CONSCIENCE / PRISONERS' TESTIMONIES / RELIGIOUS GROUPS - ISLAMIC / TORTURE/ILL-TREATMENT / TRADE UNIONISTS / TRIALS / ACADEMICS / AGED / ARBITRARY ARREST / ARMED CONFLICT / ARTISANS / CIVIL SERVANTS / COUPS / DEATH PENALTY / DEMONSTRATIONS / DETENTION WITHOUT TRIAL / GOVERNMENT MINISTERS / HOUSE/TOWN ARREST / HUMAN RIGHTS ACTIVISTS / ILL-HEALTH / INCOMMUNICADO DETENTION / INDEPENDENCE OF JUDICIARY / JOURNALISTS / LAWYERS / MILITARY AS VICTIMS / NURSES / PHOTOGRAPHS / PRISON CONDITIONS / STUDENTS / WOMEN /

 AI Index: AISA 21/03/95

Pages: 10

Date: 1 January 1995

Title: Indonesia and East Timor: Human rights in 1994: a summary

Abstract: Indonesia continued to maintain a high profile in the areas of international economics, politics and human rights in 1994, becoming a member of the UN Security Council, retaining its membership of the UN Commission on Human Rights and its chair of the Non-Aligned Movement and hosting the APEC meetings which were attended by 18 government leaders. In this report, however, AI shows that human rights continued to be violated in Indonesia and East Timor during 1994. Despite claims of increasing political openness, restrictions on civil liberties actually increased. Dozens of peaceful meetings were broken up, the independent trade union SPBSI continued to be denied official recognition and several of its leaders were jailed, and three leading news magazines were banned. This report also gives information on: political imprisonment, which continued in Indonesia and East Timor during 1994; torture and ill-treatment of political detainees; extrajudicial killings of political and criminal suspects; and the death penalty.

Keywords: EXTRAJUDICIAL EXECUTION / PRISONERS OF CONSCIENCE / TORTURE/ILL-TREATMENT / ACADEMICS / AGED / AI AND GOVERNMENTS / APEC / ASYLUM / BANNING / CIVIL UNREST / COMMON CRIMINALS / CONDITIONAL RELEASE / CONFESSIONS / DEATH IN CUSTODY / DEATH PENALTY / DEMONSTRATIONS / HUMAN RIGHTS ACTIVISTS / IMPUNITY / INVESTIGATION OF ABUSES / LAWYERS / MEDICAL CONFIRMATION / POLICE / POLITICAL PRISONERS / POLITICALLY MOTIVATED CRIMINAL CHARGES / POST MORTEMS / PRISONERS' TESTIMONIES / RESTRAINTS / STRIKES / STUDENTS / TRADE UNIONISTS / TRIALS / UN COMMISSION ON HUMAN RIGHTS / WOMEN /

AI Index: EUR 17/25/94

Pages: 3

Date: 28 December 1994

Title: Cyprus: Imprisonment of conscientious objectors Giorgos Kosta Antoniou and Konstantinos Nikola Nikolaou

Abstract: Giorgos Kosta Antoniou was sentenced to nine months' imprisonment on 5 December 1994 for refusing to perform military service. Konstantinos Nikola Nikolaou was sentenced to four months on 16 December, also for refusing military service. Both are Jehovah's Witnesses. They are among 16 conscientious objectors in prison in Cyprus at present: all are, AI believes, Jehovah's witnesses. AI considers them to be prisoners of conscience.

Keywords: CONSCIENTIOUS OBJECTORS / PRISONERS OF CONSCIENCE / REGIONAL ACTION NETWORKS / RELIGIOUS GROUPS - JEHOVAH'S WITNESS /

AI Index: EUR 17/26/94

Pages: 4

Date: 1 December 1994

Title: Cyprus: Continued imprisonment of conscientious objectors: Panikos Makri Loizou, Fotos Kosta Mousoulos

Abstract: Panikos Makri Loizou was sentenced to 12 months' imprisonment on 16 December 1994 for refusing to perform compulsory military service. Two weeks earlier, Fotos Kosta Mousoulos was also sentenced to a year's imprisonment, for the same reason. In December 1994, 16 conscientious objectors were serving prison sentences in Cyprus. To AI's knowledge, all were Jehovah's Witnesses. AI considers them to be prisoners of conscience.

Keywords: CONSCIENTIOUS OBJECTORS / MILITARY TRIBUNALS / PRISONERS OF CONSCIENCE / RELIGIOUS GROUPS - JEHOVAH'S WITNESS /

AI Index: EUR 17/27/94

Pages: 3

Date: 28 December 1994

Title: Cyprus: Imprisonment of conscientious objector: Timotheos Andrea Frantzeskou

Abstract: Timotheos Andrea Frantzeskou was sentenced to nine months' imprisonment on 8 December 1994 for refusing to perform military service. He is among 16 conscientious objectors currently in prison in Cyprus. As far as AI is aware, all are Jehovah's Witnesses. AI considers all of them to be prisoners of conscience.

Keywords: CONSCIENTIOUS OBJECTORS / PRISONERS OF CONSCIENCE / REGIONAL ACTION NETWORKS / RELIGIOUS GROUPS - JEHOVAH'S WITNESS /

AI Index: EUR 55/01/95

Pages: 2

Date: 19 January 1995

Title: Azerbaydzhan: Yusif Nushiravan ogly Balayev

Abstract: AI has learned that Yusif Balayev was sentenced to death in Baku on or around 30 November 1994 for premeditated, aggravated murder. It is believed that he has appealed against his sentence.

Keywords: DEATH SENTENCE / FOREIGN NATIONALS /

AI Index: EUR 55/02/95

Pages: 2

Date: 1 January 1995

Title: Azerbaijan: Zara Arutyunovna Akopyan

Abstract: AI is concerned by reports that Zara Akopyan, aged 35 and of ethnic Armenian origin, was detained in June 1994 solely on grounds of her ethnic origin and has been held since as a hostage. Hostage taking by both sides has been widely reported during the conflict over Nagorno-Karabakh. In some cases, alleged hostages have been held by security forces under the control of the respective administrations, in others they have been held by families, seeking exchange of one of their members, with the apparent complicity of the authorities. If it is confirmed that Zara Akopyan is indeed being held hostage, AI will consider her to be a prisoner of conscience.

Keywords: ARMED CONFLICT / ETHNIC GROUPS / HOSTAGE TAKING / WOMEN /

AI Index: EUR 57/01/95

Pages: 2

Date: 24 January 1995

Title: Kazakhstan: Sapar Baltabayev

Abstract: Sapar Baltabayev, former head doctor of the Dzhezkazgan Regional Mental Hospital, was sentenced to death in early 1994 for the murder of the deputy head of Dzhezkazgan town administration and the deputy head of the town's healthcare department. His accomplice was sentenced to 12 years in prison. It is not known whether Sapar Baltabayev's appeal has already been heard by the Supreme Court of Kazakhstan.

Keywords: DEATH SENTENCE / PSYCHIATRISTS / REGIONAL ACTION NETWORKS /

AI Index: EUR 62/06/95

Pages: 2

Date: 25 January 1995

Title: Uzbekistan: Abdulla Abdurazakov

Abstract: Abdulla Abdurazakov, an activist in the outlawed opposition party Erk, was sentenced on 14 September 1994 to three and a half years' imprisonment for "slander leading to serious consequences". AI is concerned about allegations that the basis for this charge was the discovery in his possession of copies of the banned Erk party newspaper, featuring an article critical of the President of Uzbekistan. AI is seeking more information about the case to determine whether he is a prisoner of conscience. Abdulla Abdurazakov is by profession a lecturer in teacher training methodology.

Keywords: ACADEMICS / BANNING / CENSORSHIP / POLITICAL ACTIVISTS / POLITICALLY MOTIVATED CRIMINAL CHARGES / REGIONAL ACTION NETWORKS /

AI Index: ACT 60/01/95

Pages: 8**Date:** 1 January 1995**Title:** UN News

Abstract: 1. UN: "Keep fighting: there are a lot of other Wili Otzys out there"; 2. News in Brief: Peru, Pakistan, Tadjikistan, Mexico, South Korea, India; 3. Beware the official version; 4. Proof positive: two exiles in Canada tell of how UNs helped them (Humberto Gravo Almanza and Dr Taisir Mohamed Ali); 5. Island action: the UN network in the Canary Islands; 6. Strength in numbers: letter from the Church Land Commission, Brazil; 7. UN statistics. 8. Ghana: Candles and Computers: a UN meeting in Ghana.

Keywords: URGENT ACTIONS / BRAZIL / COLOMBIA / DEATH PENALTY / GHANA / GOOD NEWS TESTIMONIES / INDIA / MEXICO / PAKISTAN / PERU / PHOTOGRAPHS / SOUTH KOREA / STATISTICS / SUDAN / TADZHIKISTAN / UN /

AI Index: DOC 33/01/95

Pages: 24**Date:** 4 January 1995**Title:** All documents and publications December 1994**Abstract:** There is no abstract for this document.

AI Index: IOR 51/01/95

Pages: 5**Date:** 1 January 1995**Title:** The human rights of women in the United Nations: developments 1993-1994

Abstract: The UN General Assembly adopted the Declaration on the Elimination of Violence against Women on 20 December 1993. This paper provides a discussion of the Declaration and on its relevance to the Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women. It also comments on the appointment of the Special Rapporteur on violence against women, Ms Radika Coomaraswamy. The text of the Declaration on the Elimination of Violence against Women is appended.

Keywords: HUMAN RIGHTS INSTRUMENTS / UN / WOMEN / INTERNATIONAL MEETINGS / UN COMMISSION ON HUMAN RIGHTS /

AI Index: NWS 11/282/94

Pages: 1**Date:** 13 December 1994**Title:** Amnesty International News Service 282/94**Abstract:** 1. Philippines: Japanese man becomes fifteenth person sentenced to death.

Keywords: COMPUTER STAFF / DEATH SENTENCE / FOREIGN NATIONALS / PHILIPPINES /

AI Index: NWS 11/283/94

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UGANDA
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UK
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VIETNAM
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