

EQUATORIAL GUINEA

All Index: AFR 24/16/95

Network: UA-235/95

Pages: 1

Date: 15 December 1995

Title: Equatorial Guinea: further information on: prisoners of conscience/ fear of torture

Abstract: All has learned that all of Equatorial Guinea's remaining political prisoners, including prisoners of conscience Felipe Ondo Obiang and Bonifacio Nguema Esono, were released by the end of November.

Keywords: OPPOSITION POLITICIANS / PRISONERS OF CONSCIENCE / RELEASE /

GAMBIA

All Index: AFR 27/03/96

Network: UA-242/95

Pages: 1

Date: 26 January 1996

Title: Gambia: Fear of ill-treatment/legal concern

Abstract: 25 people charged with sedition: Jobarteh Manneh, Bateh Samba Jallow, Mama Jawara (f), Ismaila Jawara, Adama Ceesay (f), Alhaji Mori Kebba Saidy Khan, Lang Hawa Sonko, Bakary Camara, Sainy Fayz, Omar Bah, Sarany Jatta, Fansu Jawara, Yaya Darboz, Foday Ceesay, Ebrima Sinko, Rosso Taylor (f), Malamin Sonko, Landing Camara, Kebba Tunkara, Lamin Kanaju, Mustapha Dibba, Mustapha Ceesay, Dabo Colley, Modou Kebbeh, Buna Kebbeh; 10 people without charge: Hussainu Njai, Algi Mamamdi Sabally, Mamadou Cadicham, Omar Jallow, Malang Fatty, Anusumana Fadera, Babucarr Ceesay, Mohamed Lamin Ba, Modou Jammeh, Saidy Wan; Not detained: contrary to earlier reports, Alhaji Omar Sey, former Minister of External Affairs and Yaya Ceesay, former Minister of Local Government Lands, were not among those detained: of all those arrested 12 October 1995, at least 35 people listed above are still detained. They appear to be prisoners of conscience.

Keywords: LAWYERS / PARLIAMENTARIANS / POLITICIANS / POSSIBLE POC /

MAURITANIA

All Index: AFR 38/01/96

Network: UA-247/95

Pages: 1

Date: 25 January 1996

Title: Mauritania: Fear of ill-treatment/legal concern

Abstract: Memed Ould Ahmed, Mohamed Yehdid Ould Brigidelil, Hamada Ould Beddy, Mohamed Ould Bowba, Cheikh Ould Ouda'a, Cheikh Ould Bouasria, Abdellahi Ould M'Hamed, Bah Ould Bah, Issa Ould Bellal, El Arbi Ould Moulage Zeing, Ahmed Ould Mohamed Brahim, Didi Ould Weissat, Baba Ould Ahmed Legraa, Cheikhna Ould Sakrhawi, Nahi Ould Nahi and others: All 52 people arrested in October 1995, charged with membership of an illegal organisation and creating a political

movement contrary to the law on the formation of political parties, have been acquitted and released.

Keywords:RELEASE /

NIGERIA

All Index: AFR 44/39/95

Network: UN-219/95

Pages: 1

Date: 12 December 1995

Title: Nigeria: further information on: death in detention/health concern / legal concern / fear of execution after unfair trial

Abstract: AI understands that at least 16 supporters of the Movement for the Survival of the Ogoni People (MOSOP) detained since mid-1994: Elijah Baadam, John Banatu, Kagbara Bassah, Israel Blessing, Friday Gburuma, Paul Deekor, Godwin Gbodo, Adam Kaan, Barituz Lebeze, Nyizda Nasikpo, Sampson Ntignze, Nwinbari Abere Papa, Pogbara Zorzor, Samuel Asigha, Barbina Visor, Benjamin Kabari and three others detained in October 1995: Taagalo Monsi, Baribuma Kumanwe, Nghaa Baovi, have been charged with murder in connection with the May 1994 killings of four Ogoni leaders. Due to be tried before a Special Civil Disturbances Tribunal outside the normal judicial process, AI fears that the 19 could be unfairly tried, sentenced to death and executed without right of appeal to a higher court.

Keywords:DEATH PENALTY / POLITICAL ACTIVISTS / PRISON CONDITIONS / TRIALS /

NIGERIA

All Index: AFR 44/01/96

Network: UN-05/96

Pages: 1

Date: 10 January 1996

Title: Nigeria: incommunicado detention /health concern: Nosa Igizbor

Abstract: Nosa Igizbor, editor-in-chief of Tell magazine, was arrested on 23 December 1995 by officers of the State Security Services (SSS). Since then he has been detained incommunicado and reportedly denied medication to treat hypertension and an ulcer. No reason has been given for his arrest but it is likely that it is related to continuing criticism of the Nigerian government by Tell magazine.

Keywords:EDITORS / ILL-HEALTH / INCOMMUNICADO DETENTION / POSSIBLE POC /

RWANDA

All Index: AFR 47/27/95

Network: UN-268/95

Pages: 1

Date: 15 December 1995

Title: Rwanda: further information on: fear for safety /"disappearance"

Abstract: Jean Rubaduka, Abbe Andre Sibomana, Jean-Baptiste Barambirwa: Jean-Baptiste Barambirwa, the president of the human rights organisation CLADHO, was released on 12 December, apparently as a result of international pressure.

However, his case is still under review by the Public Prosecutor's office. It is not yet known whether he will face formal charges.

Keywords:HUMAN RIGHTS ACTIVISTS / RELEASE /

RWANDA

AI Index: AFR 47/28/95

Network: UA-111/95

Pages: 1

Date: 29 December 1995

Title:Rwanda: further information on: death penalty

Abstract:Although AI has not received any further information relating to the judicial process in the cases of Captain David Rwapapa and Second Lieutenant Innocent Ngoga. Recent remarks attributed to the Rwandese Vice-President have heightened AI's fears that the death sentences may be carried out and that other members of the Rwandese Patriotic Army (RPA) may also be sentenced to death and executed.

Keywords:DEATH SENTENCE / MILITARY AS VICTIMS /

RWANDA

AI Index: AFR 47/01/96

Network: UA-11/96

Pages: 1

Date: 22 January 1996

Title:Rwanda: death penalty: sergeant of the Rwanda Patriotic Army (RPA)

Abstract:A sergeant in the RPA, name unknown, sentenced to death for the murder of three civilians by court martial on 28 December 1995, has the right to appeal within 30 days of the sentence. AI fears that he may be executed after remarks attributed to the Vice-President of Rwanda implying that soldiers who killed people would be executed.

Keywords:DEATH SENTENCE / MILITARY AS VICTIMS / MILITARY TRIBUNALS /

BOLIVIA

AI Index: AMR 18/15/95

Network: EXTRA-164/95

Pages: 1

Date: 29 December 1995

Title:Bolivia: fear of ill-treatment /legal concern: 45 peasant women and three children

Abstract:AI fears that 45 peasant women and three young children, under five years old, detained on 27 December 1995 during a peaceful march by women from various coca-leaf growing communities in Bolivia, may be facing ill-treatment in custody. It is alleged that those currently detained have not been given any food since arrest.

Keywords:CHILDREN / DEMONSTRATIONS / INCOMMUNICADO DETENTION / LAND PROBLEMS / PEASANTS / TORTURE/ILL-TREATMENT / WOMEN /

BOLIVIA

AI Index: AMR 18/01/96

Network: EXTRAI-164/95

Pages: 1

Date: 8 January 1996

Title: Bolivia: fear of ill-treatment / legal concern: 45 peasant women and three children

Abstract: AI has received information that the 45 peasant women and three young children have been released.

Keywords: CHILDREN / DEMONSTRATIONS / LAND PROBLEMS / PEASANTS / RELEASE / WOMEN /

BRAZIL

AI Index: AMR 19/39/95

Network: UI-440/94

Pages: 1

Date: 21 December 1995

Title: Brazil: further information on: fear for safety: Wagner dos Santos

Abstract: AI has received information that the Brazilian government has moved Wagner dos Santos to a place of safety outside Brazil.

Keywords: WITNESSES /

COLOMBIA

AI Index: AMR 25/01/96

Network: UI-269/95

Pages: 1

Date: 4 January 1996

Title: Colombia: further information on: fear of "disappearance" and new concern: possible extrajudicial execution

Abstract: Juan Carlos Gomez Arango, taxi driver, Fabio Eduar Gomez Arango, taxi driver; new name: Fabio de Jesus Gomez Gil, their father: On 21 December 1995, Fabio de Jesus Gomez Gil was shot dead by unidentified armed men. He was the father of the two brothers who "disappeared" on 19 November 1995 whose whereabouts remain unknown.

Keywords: DISAPPEARANCES / DRIVERS / EXTRAJUDICIAL EXECUTION / FAMILIES /

COLOMBIA

AI Index: AMR 25/06/96

Network: UI-19/96

Pages: 1

Date: 29 January 1996

Title: Colombia: "Disappearance" / fear for safety

Abstract: Jose Sosa, community activist, Luis Jose Guerrero Arias, Eduardo Criado, Numa Criado, Jesus Sosa: Jose Sosa and Luis Jose Guerrero Arias have not been seen since they were abducted on 28 January 1996 by about 15 armed men. AI is also seriously concerned for the safety of Eduardo Criado, Numa Criado and Jesus Sosa, whose names reportedly appeared on the list of gunmen who forcibly entered the house of the Criado family on 28 January 1996.

Keywords: COMMUNITY WORKERS / DISAPPEARANCES / FAMILIES /

CUBA

AI Index: AMR 25/01/96

Network: U1-08/96

Pages: 1

Date: 16 January 1996

Title: Cuba: arbitrary detention /harassment

Abstract: Raul Rivero Castaneda, aged 50, Juan Antonio Sanchez, both members of Cuba Press and the Concilio Cubano, Cuban Concilium: AI is concerned that the above, who were arrested on 14 January 1996, could face imprisonment as prisoners of conscience.

Keywords: ARBITRARY ARREST / HARASSMENT / HUMAN RIGHTS ACTIVISTS / JOURNALISTS /

CUBA

AI Index: AMR 25/02/96

Network: U1-08/96

Pages: 1

Date: 17 January 1996

Title: Cuba: further information on: arbitrary detention /harassment

Abstract: Raul Rivero Castaneda, aged 50, Juan Antonio Sanchez, both members of Cuba Press and the Concilio Cubano, Cuban Concilium: AI has learned that the above were released on 15 January 1996.

Keywords: HUMAN RIGHTS ACTIVISTS / JOURNALISTS / RELEASE /

CUBA

AI Index: AMR 25/03/96

Network: U1-439/94

Pages: 1

Date: 29 January 1996

Title: Cuba: further information on: death penalty /fear of ill-treatment / health concern/death threats

Abstract: Juvencio Padron Duernas (known as Juan Carlos), Felix Molina Valdez, Carlos Camilo Rodriguez Gorin, Carlos Cruz Seguis: AI has learned that the death sentences of the above have been commuted to 30 years' imprisonment. AI is still concerned about aspects of the case including reports that physical pressures were inflicted on the detainees to force them to accept the charges.

Keywords: COMMUTATION / CONFESSIONS / TORTURE/ILL-TREATMENT / TRIALS /

ECUADOR

AI Index: AMR 28/01/96

Network: U1-10/96

Pages: 2

Date: 19 January 1996

Title: Ecuador: arbitrary detention /fear of unfair trial

Abstract: Juan Climaco Cuellar Lanza (Colombian), Froilan Cuellar Linares (Colombian), Carlos Enrique Cuellar Urapari (Ecuadorian), Harold Herverth Paz Pagaguaje (Colombian), Jose Otilo Quinayas Chicangana (Colombian), Carmen Bolanos Mora (f) (Colombian), Henry Machoa Pagaguaje (Colombian): the trial of the above is due to open on 31 January 1996. AI is concerned that the defendants' confessions, obtained under torture, may be used by the prosecution during the trial. If convicted AI would consider them to be prisoners of conscience.

Keywords: FOREIGN NATIONALS / TRIALS / WOMEN /

EL SALVADOR

AI Index: AMR 29/01/96

Network: UA-06/96

Pages: 1

Date: 10 January 1996

Title: El Salvador: death threats/fear for safety: Adrian Esquino Lisco

Abstract: On 6 January 1996, Adrian Esquino Lisco, member of the Salvadorean National Indigenous Association (ANIS), was threatened with death if he did not leave El Salvador within 72 hours. Members of his family have also been attacked or harassed as a result of their activism in ANIS in recent months.

Keywords: COMMUNITY LEADERS / FAMILIES / HARASSMENT / INDIGENOUS PEOPLES /

EL SALVADOR

AI Index: AMR 29/02/96

Network: UA-06/96

Pages: 1

Date: 29 January 1996

Title: El Salvador: further information on: death threats/fear for safety

Abstract: Adrian Esquino Lisco, Nahuat Indian; new name: Maximiliano Bran Garcia: Maximiliano Bran Garcia, member of the Salvadorean National Indigenous Association (ANIS), was threatened by five armed men on 21 January 1996. AI fears for the lives of Chief Adrian Esquino Lisco and other members of ANIS.

Keywords: COMMUNITY LEADERS / FAMILIES / HARASSMENT / INDIGENOUS PEOPLES /

GUATEMALA

AI Index: AMR 34/01/96

Network: UA-18/96

Pages: 1

Date: 29 January 1996

Title: Guatemala: fear for safety: Oswaldo Enriquez

Abstract: He is concerned for the safety of human rights activist Oswaldo Enriquez. His car has been followed and he has also received death threats by phone.

Keywords: HUMAN RIGHTS ASSESSMENT / HUMAN RIGHTS ACTIVISTS /

HAITI

AI Index: AMR 36/03/95

Network: UAI-275/95

Pages: 1

Date: 21 December 1995

Title: Haiti: ill-treatment / legal concern: children in detention at Fort National Prison, Port-au-Prince

Abstract: He is concerned at reports that children aged between 12 and 17 have been beaten by guards in Fort National Prison. Many of them are also believed to be held there illegally.

Keywords: CHILDREN / ESCAPES / JUVENILES / PRISON STAFF / PRISON VIOLENCE / TORTURE/ILL-TREATMENT / UNLAWFUL DETENTION /

MEXICO

AI Index: AMR 41/01/96

Network: UAI-09/96

Pages: 1

Date: 16 January 1996

Title: Mexico: threats / fear for safety: Rocio Culzbro and other human rights activists

Abstract: On 12 January 1996, Rocio Culzbro (f), co ordinator of the National Network on Non-governmental Human Rights Organizations "Full Rights for Everybody", received a series of threatening phone calls. These came just before she was due to travel to the Inter-American Commission on Human Rights of the OAS in order to present a report on the massacre at Aguas Blancas in June 1995 where 17 peasants were killed by the security forces.

Keywords: HUMAN RIGHTS ASSESSMENT / HUMAN RIGHTS ACTIVISTS / WOMEN /

MEXICO

AI Index: AMR 41/02/96

Network: UAI-12/96

Pages: 1

Date: 22 January 1996

Title: Mexico: threats / fear for safety

Abstract: Lourdes Feiguerez (f), Victor Clark Alfaro, human rights activists: they received a series of threatening phone calls on 15 January 1996 apparently in connection with their work on a case involving three members of the State Judicial Police, accused of torture.

Keywords: HUMAN RIGHTS ASSESSMENT / HUMAN RIGHTS ACTIVISTS / WOMEN /

TRINIDAD & TOBAGO

All Index: AMR 49/03/95

Network: EXTR-1-160/95

Pages: 1

Date: 14 December 1995

Title: Trinidad and Tobago: ill-treatment / fear of ill-treatment: Dr Robert Naidike

Abstract: The whereabouts of Dr Robert Naidike, a Nigerian national, detained on 28 November 1995, are unknown. This, coupled with allegations that he has already been subjected to beatings, have raised fears that he may be facing further ill-treatment in custody.

Keywords: FOREIGN NATIONALS / HEALTH / INCOMMUNICADO DETENTION / TORTURE / ILL-TREATMENT /

USA

All Index: AMR 51/158/95

Network: EXTR-1-156/95

Pages: 1

Date: 15 December 1995

Title: USA (Texas): further information on: death penalty / legal concern: James M Briddle

Abstract: All very much regrets that James M Briddle was executed a scheduled in Texas on 12 December 1995. The organization is appalled at the high number of executions now taking place in Texas.

Keywords: EXECUTION /

USA

All Index: AMR 51/159/95

Network: EXTR-1-154/95

Pages: 1

Date: 15 December 1995

Title: USA (Virginia): further information on: death penalty / legal concern: Coleman Gray

Abstract: Colman Gray, scheduled to be executed in Virginia on 14 December 1995, has received a stay of execution.

Keywords: DEATH SENTENCE / MINORITIES / STAY OF EXECUTION /

USA

All Index: AMR 51/03/96

Network: EXTR-1-03/96

Pages: 1

Date: 12 January 1996

Title: USA (Utah): death penalty / legal concern: John Taylor

Abstract: John Taylor, white, is scheduled to be executed on 26 January 1996. He has decided to drop all his appeals and allow the state authorities to carry out the execution

because of conditions for death row inmates in Utah and inadequate medical care. His trial was handled by two inexperienced attorneys who did not challenge eye witnesses and failed to prepare for the sentencing phase of the trial.

Keywords: DEATH SENTENCE / ILL-HEALTH /

USA

All Index: AMR 51/04/96
Network: EXTR1-05/96
Pages: 2
Date: 15 January 1996

Title: USA (Texas): death penalty / legal concern: Emil Duhamel

Abstract: Emil Duhamel, white, sentenced to death for murder, is scheduled to be executed on 24 January 1996 despite reportedly being diagnosed as mentally ill.

Keywords: DEATH SENTENCE / MENTAL HEALTH /

USA

All Index: AMR 51/05/96
Network: EXTR1-07/96
Pages: 1
Date: 17 January 1996

Title: USA (Delaware): death penalty / legal concern

Abstract: Billie Bailey, William Henry Flamer: Billie Bailey, white, was sentenced to death in 1983 for murder. According to a clemency petition he suffers from mental health problems. William Henry Flamer, black, was convicted of murder in 1980. His attorney has appealed on the grounds that he received ineffective legal representation at his trial. Both men are scheduled to be executed on 25 and 30 January 1996, respectively.

Keywords: DEATH SENTENCE / MENTAL HEALTH /

USA

All Index: AMR 51/06/96
Network: EXTR1-05/96
Pages: 1
Date: 26 January 1996

Title: USA (Texas): further information on: death penalty / legal concern: Emil Duhamel

Abstract: Emil Duhamel, white, scheduled to be executed on 24 January 1996, has received a stay of execution.

Keywords: STAY OF EXECUTION /

USA

All Index: AMR 51/07/96
Network: EXTR1-03/96
Pages: 1

Date: 26 January 1996**Title:**USA (Utah): further information on: death penalty /legal concern: John Taylor**Abstract:**All regrets that John Taylor was executed by firing squad as scheduled in Utah on 26 January 1996.**Keywords:**EXECUTION /USA**AI Index:** AMR 51/08/96**Network:** EXTR-1-07/96**Pages:** 1**Date:** 26 January 1996**Title:**USA (Delaware): further information on: death penalty /legal concern**Abstract:**Billie Bailey, William Henry Flamer: Billie Bailey was executed as scheduled on 25 January 1996. William Flamer is still scheduled to be executed on 30 January 1996.**Keywords:**EXECUTION /USA**AI Index:** AMR 51/09/96**Network:** EXTR-1-10/96**Pages:** 1**Date:** 29 January 1996**Title:**USA (Alabama): death penalty /legal concern: Edward Horsley**Abstract:**Edward Horsley, black, is scheduled to be executed on 16 February 1996. He was sentenced to death for his role in a murder after a trial in which the prosecutor excluded black jurors. The trial attorney also failed to present mitigating evidence relating to Edward Horsley's background.**Keywords:**DEATH SENTENCE / ILLEGALITY / MENTAL HEALTH /MYANMAR**AI Index:** AS 16/01/96**Network:** U-1-50/95**Pages:** 1**Date:** 3 January 1996**Title:**Myanmar: Myanmar refugees and Thai civilians in Thailand**Abstract:**New names: Aye Htun and his 18-month-old daughter, Ah Liang, early 30's, Ko La, aged 44, Suda Panyasupatho (f) aged 8, Przechha Panyasupatho, Suphor Panyasupatho, aged 53: The Democratic Kayin Buddhist Organization (DKBO) has launched further attacks on both Karen displaced persons' camp and Thai villages in Tak Province, Thailand.

Keywords: CHILDREN / DISPLACED PEOPLE / FAMILIES / INFANTS / PARAFAMILIARIES / RELIGIOUS GROUPS / TEACHERS /

MYANMAR

AI Index: AISI 16/02/96

Network: UN-01/96

Pages: 1

Date: 4 January 1996

Title: Myanmar: ill-treatment/health concern

Abstract: Saw Naing Naing, member of parliament-elect, Mongwa Tin Shwe, lawyer, U Win Tin, prisoner of conscience, Myo Myint Nyein, magazine editor, Dr Myint Aung, member of parliament-elect: AI is gravely concerned for the health and safety of the above, political prisoners held in Insein Jail. The five men, all members of the National League for Democracy (NLD), the main opposition party, have been subjected to severe ill-treatment since mid-November 1995.

Keywords: EDITORS / ILL-HEALTH / LAWYERS / OPPOSITION POLITICIANS / PRISONERS OF CONSCIENCE / TORTURE/ILL-TREATMENT /

MYANMAR

AI Index: AISI 16/03/96

Network: UN-04/96

Pages: 2

Date: 10 January 1996

Title: Myanmar: fear of ill-treatment

Abstract: Win Mai(f), dancer, Hmin Pa Pa (f), dancer, U Pa Pa (m), comedian, U Luzan (m), comedian, Htwé (m), manager of dance troupe, U Sein Hten (m), musician, U Win Htai (m), musician, U Tin Myin Waling (m), musician: AI fears for the safety of eight members of a dance troupe who were arrested in Manadaly on 7 January 1996. The troupe had performed at an Independence Day ceremony held in the compound of Daw Aung San Suu Kyi, leader of Myanmar's main opposition party and were arrested on their return to Manadaly by members of Military Intelligence.

Keywords: ACTORS / MANAGERS / MUSICIANS / POSSIBLE POC / WOMEN /

MYANMAR

AI Index: AISI 16/04/96

Network: UN-04/96

Pages: 1

Date: 19 January 1996

Title: Myanmar: further information on: fear of ill-treatment

Abstract: U Pa Pa Lay (previously U Pa Pa) comedian, U Lu Zaw (previously U Luzan), comedian, Myodaw Win Mar (f) (previously Win Mai), dancer, Ma Hnin Pa Pa (f) (previously Hmin Pa Pa), U Tin Myint Hlaing (previously U Tin Myin Wailing), musician, U Sein Hla (previously U Sein Hten) musician, U Win Htai, musician, U Htwé (previously Htwé), manager of dance troupe; new names: Daw Myaing (f), assistant to dancers, Ma Yin Tin Swe (f), assistant to dancers, U Myint Thein, U Aung Soe: AI has received new information concerning the arrests of the above.

Their leader U Pa Pa Lay had been arrested previously in 1991. U Htwé is the National League for Democracy Chairman of the Mandalay Southeast Township. There is still no information about where the 12 are being held, or if they have been charged or tried.

Keywords:ACTORS / MANAGERS / MUSICIANS / POSSIBLE POC / WOMEN /

MYANMAR

AI Index: AISI 16/05/96

Network: UN-01/96

Pages: 1

Date: 24 January 1996

Title:Myanmar: further information on: ill-treatment /health concern

Abstract:Saw Naing Naing, member of parliament-elect, Mongwa Tin Shwe, lawyer, U Win Tin, prisoner of conscience, Myo Myint Nyein, magazine editor, Dr Myint Lung, member of parliament-elect: new names: Dr Rhin Zaw Win, dentist, prisoner of conscience, Dr Myint Naing, aged 44, doctor, MP-elect, Moe Zaw Oo: AI has learned that Dr Rhin Zaw, Dr Myint Naing and Moe Zaw Oo have been singled out for ill-treatment by prison authorities at Insein Prison.

Keywords:DENTISTS / DOCTORS / EDITORS / HEALTH / LAWYERS / PARLIAMENTARIANS / PRISONERS OF CONSCIENCE / TORTURE/ILL-TREATMENT /

CHINA

AI Index: AISI 17/107/95

Network: EXTRA-129/95

Pages: 1

Date: 12 December 1995

Title:China: further information on: death penalty: 14 people sentenced to death in the Shenzhen Special Economic Zone, Guangdong Province

Abstract:Zhang Xiaojian, Qian Chuqia, Qiu Dexi, Chen Zixie, Liu Gaowen, Chen Qiang, Chen Jingde, Fu Limin(f), Wen Yana (f), Xie Xiugun, Chen Xinxiang: according to Reuters reports on 12 December 1995, the death sentences against the 14 people mentioned above were confirmed on 11 December.

Keywords:DEATH SENTENCE / WOMEN /

CHINA

AI Index: AISI 17/109/95

Network: EXTRA-159/95

Pages: 2

Date: 13 December 1995

Title:China: death penalty

Abstract:Chen Qipeng,35, Lin Dengfeng,45, Xu Jinkuang,31, Lu Yisheng,32, Su Huoming,33: the above are facing imminent execution after the rejection of their appeal in December 1995. Execution may take place at any time.

Keywords:DEATH SENTENCE / FISHERMEN / FOREIGN NATIONALS / TRIALS /

CHINA

AI Index: AISA 17/111/95
Network: EXTRAI-97/95
Pages: 1
Date: 14 December 1995

Title: China: further information on: death penalty/legal concern: Wang Jiange

Abstract: The death sentence passed on Wang Jiange on 5 April 1995 has just been upheld by the Supreme People's Court and execution may take place within days. Wang Jiange had started a hunger-strike in an attempt to obtain a meeting with his lawyer and relatives. The hunger-strike reportedly lasted 10 days.

Keywords: DEATH SENTENCE / HUNGER-STRIKE / INCOMMUNICADO DETENTION / TRIALS /

CHINA

AI Index: AISA 17/08/96
Network: EXTRAI-97/95
Pages: 1
Date: 17 January 1996

Title: China: further information on: death penalty/legal concern

Abstract: Wang Jiange, new names: Guo Manpeng, Liang Jianguo: Wang Jiange was executed on 28 December 1995 with Guo Manpeng and Liang Jianguo. All of them were convicted for economic crimes.

Keywords: EXECUTION / PHOTOGRAPHS /

INDIA

AI Index: AISA 20/04/96
Network: UAI-13/96
Pages: 1
Date: 24 January 1996

Title: India: fear for safety/health concern/torture: Firoz Ahmad Ganai

Abstract: AI is concerned at reports that the above has been taken from hospital where he was undergoing medical treatment for injuries allegedly sustained as a result of torture in custody.

Keywords: ILL-HEALTH / TORTURE/ILL-TREATMENT /

INDONESIA

AI Index: AISA 21/67/95
Network: EXTRAI-157/95
Pages: 1
Date: 19 December 1995

Title: Indonesia /East Timor: arbitrary detention/fear of torture/fear for safety

Abstract: Martinho Perzira and 12 other East Timorese, 52 protestors at the Dutch Embassy in Jakarta, at least four protestors at French and Thai Embassies; and new names: Petrus Haryanto, Budiman: arbitrary arrests of those involved in the embassy

protests in Jakarta are continuing. AI fears that anyone detained is at risk of torture and ill-treatment.

Keywords: ARBITRARY ARREST / DEMONSTRATIONS / INCOMMUNICADO DETENTION / POLITICAL ACTIVISTS /

INDONESIA

AI Index: ISA 21/02/96

Network: UA-03/96

Pages: 1

Date: 5 January 1996

Title: Indonesia: arbitrary detention / fear of ill-treatment: Roliati Harjfa

Abstract: AI is concerned that Roliati Haifa, a female labour activist, has been arbitrarily detained and is at risk of ill-treatment. Her arrest may be connected with her activities as a trade unionist.

Keywords: ARBITRARY ARREST / TRADE UNIONISTS / WOMEN /

INDONESIA

AI Index: ISA 21/04/96

Network: EXTRA-157/95

Pages: 1

Date: 10 January 1996

Title: Indonesia / East Timor: further information on: arbitrary detention / fear of torture / fear for safety

Abstract: Martinho Pereira and 12 other East Timorese, 52 protestors at the Dutch Embassy in Jakarta, at least four protestors at French and Thai Embassies; AI has received confirmation that Martinho Pereira was released from custody on 5 January 1996.

Keywords: ARBITRARY ARREST / DEMONSTRATIONS / INCOMMUNICADO DETENTION / POLITICAL ACTIVISTS / RELEASE /

INDONESIA

AI Index: ISA 21/06/96

Network: EXTRA-08/96

Pages: 1

Date: 18 January 1996

Title: Indonesia: arbitrary detention / fear of ill-treatment

Abstract: Fernando Gomes, Domingos Cortezal, Carlos Antonio, Lucio Quintao, Manzul Lelo, Nelson Gutierrez, Elsa Camila Vargas (f), Leonildo da Costa, Fransisco, Bernardino, Lisio Fatima Gonalves Soares, Rosito Soares, Alexander da Cunha, Placido Hugo Bovida, Luis de Jesus: AI is concerned for the safety of 15 East Timorese arrested in Jakarta on 12 January 1996 whose whereabouts remain unknown. It is believed that they were arrested because police suspected they were seeking asylum.

Keywords: ARBITRARY ARREST / WOMEN /

JAPAN

AI Index: AI 22/10/95

Network: UAI-274/95

Pages: 1

Date: 21 December 1995

Title: Japan: three executions /fear of further executions

Abstract: Kimura Shuji (m) aged 44, Hirata Naoto (m), aged 63, Shinohara Tokujiro (m), aged 68 were executed in Japan on 21 December 1995, after spending a decade under sentence of death. AI fears that further executions may take place at any time.

Keywords: AGED / EXECUTION /

NORTH KOREA

AI Index: AI 24/14/95

Network: UAI-211/95

Pages: 1

Date: 15 December 1995

Title: North Korea: further information on: unacknowledged detention /fear for safety /health concern

Abstract: AI has received information through unofficial sources confirming the return of the Hwang brothers, Hwang Sung Kuk, Hwang Sung San and Hwang Sung Chon, to China in October 1995. They are apparently in reasonably good health.

Keywords: FAMILIES / ILL-HEALTH / JUVENILES / REFOULEMENT /

MALDIVES

AI Index: AI 29/01/96

Network: UAI-115/95

Pages: 1

Date: 1 January 1996

Title: Republic of Maldives: possible prisoners of conscience /health concern

Abstract: Mohammed Bathreef, aged 71, linguist, Ahmed Shafeeq, aged 67, former civil servant, Ali Moosa Didi, writer and politician: AI has been informed that the above were released from house arrest on 31 December 1995. According to sources they have been told not to leave the city of Male without permission as the case against them has not been fully concluded.

Keywords: ACADEMICS / AGED / CIVIL SERVANTS / HOUSE/TOWN ARREST / ILL-HEALTH / POLITICIANS / RELEASE / RETIRED PEOPLE / WRITERS /

PAKISTAN

AI Index: AI 33/31/95

Network: UAI-262/95

Pages: 1

Date: 19 December 1995

Title: Pakistan: further information on: fear for safety

Abstract: Masood Alam Khan, arrested on 20 November 1995 was released on 15 December. His family were required to pay to secure his release. His two younger brothers, Wahzed Shariff Khan and Tanvir Shariff Khan, were released on 27 November.

Keywords: EXTORTION / FAMILIES / JUVENILES / RELEASE / TORTURE/IL-TREATMENT /

SINGAPORE

AI Index: A51 36/01/96

Network: EXTR-1-108/95

Pages: 1

Date: 5 January 1996

Title: Singapore: imminent execution: Azmi bin Tuki

Abstract: AI has just learned that Azmi bin Tuki was executed on 29 September 1995.

Keywords: EXECUTION / HORTICULTURALISTS /

SRI LANKA

AI Index: A51 37/02/96

Network: U-1-07/96

Pages: 2

Date: 12 January 1996

Title: Sri Lanka: "disappearances"

Abstract: Manikapodi Shantakumar, Devanayagam Kiruparajah, Somasundaram Linganayagam, Ananthan Sinnapodigan, Samithamby Velakuddy, Kandappan Govindan, Vinayagamooty Karalasingham, Perigathamby Jegasangar, Ponnambalam Konzwaran, Nagalingam Rishikeshamoorthy, aged 36: The 11 people named above are reported to have "disappeared" in Batticaloa District between 17 December 1995 and 1 January 1996.

Keywords: CIVIL DEFENCE / CONDUCTORS / DISAPPEARANCES / FARMERS / NON-GOVERNMENTAL ENTITIES /

TAIWAN

AI Index: A51 38/01/96

Network: EXTR-1-01/96

Pages: 1

Date: 8 January 1996

Title: Taiwan (China): death penalty/legal concern: Liu Chi-hsun

Abstract: Liu Chi-hsun, a 29-year-old county council member faces imminent execution. He claims that he is innocent and that he was framed as a result of political corruption. He also claims that torture was used to extract a confession from him.

Keywords: DEATH SENTENCE / LOCAL GOVERNMENT REPRESENTATIVES /

TAIWAN

AI Index: A571 38/02/96
Network: EXTR1-01/96
Pages: 1

Date: 16 January 1996

Title: Taiwan (China): further information on: death penalty / legal concern: Liu Chi-hsun

Abstract: On 15 January 1996, Minister of Justice Ma Ying-jeou ordered a review of the case of Liu Chi-hsun on the grounds that some important points had not been raised in the original trial. AI welcomes this decision and urges President Lee Teng-hui to use his constitutional power to commute the death sentence imposed on Liu Chi-hsun.

Keywords: DEATH SENTENCE / LOCAL GOVERNMENT REPRESENTATIVES / STAY OF EXECUTION /

THAILAND

AI Index: A571 39/10/95
Network: EXTR1-155/95
Pages: 1

Date: 20 December 1995

Title: Thailand: further information on: health concern / legal concern

Abstract: Daw Khin Hlaing (f), aged 65, U Ye Gaung, aged 71, journalist and 23 other Burmese asylum-seekers: the 23 Burmese asylum-seekers who were arrested in November 1995 in Bangkok have been released. Although Daw Khin Hlaing and U Ye Gaung remain in detention their release is believed to be imminent.

Keywords: AGED / JOURNALISTS / REFUGEES / RELEASE / WOMEN /

THAILAND

AI Index: A571 39/02/96
Network: EXTR1-155/95
Pages: 1

Date: 16 January 1996

Title: Thailand: further information on: health concern / legal concern

Abstract: Daw Khin Hlaing (f), aged 65, U Ye Gaung, aged 71, journalist: in spite of reports that Thai immigration officials had agreed to release the two Burmese asylum-seekers above, the couple are still being held in Bangkok. AI is concerned that Daw Khin Hlaing is having difficulty walking and is not receiving proper medical care.

Keywords: AGED / JOURNALISTS / REFUGEES / RELEASE / WOMEN /

THAILAND

AI Index: A571 39/03/96
Network: EXTR1-155/95
Pages: 1

Date: 23 January 1996

Title: Thailand: further information on: health concern / legal concern

Abstract: Daw Khin Hlaing (f), aged 65, U Ye Gaung, aged 71, journalist: the above were released on 23 January 1996.

Keywords:AGED / JOURNALISTS / REFUGEES / RELEASE / WOMEN /

THAILAND

AI Index: ASA 39/04/96

Network: EXTRA-115/95

Pages: 1

Date: 30 January 1996

Title: Thailand: further information on: fear of imminent execution: Prommas Leamsai

Abstract: AI is concerned that the Thai authorities have conducted the first execution since 1987. On 28 January Prommas Leamsai was killed by firing squad.

Keywords: EXECUTION /

TURKEY

AI Index: EUR 44/152/95

Network: EXTRA-161/95

Pages: 1

Date: 15 December 1995

Title: Turkey: use of excessive force / fear for safety

Abstract: Haydarpasa Municipal Hospital: Ali Kanat, Nazif (Gurbuz Ergin), Erol Ergin, Yilmaz Esbal, Yasin Ipek, Mehmet Bahri Kurt, Celal Cengiz, Cezal Odabas, Burhan Deger, Ismail Olmez, Abdullah Talay, Resul Arslan, Selahattin Bagir, Erol Celikten, Hikmet Ezen, Mahmut Karakaya, Mahmut Turk, Sakir Dinc, Mehmet Serif Duner, Abdullah Kanat, Zeynel Koc, Ismail Yilmaz; Bagrampasa State Hospital: M.Nuri Fida, Hasan Gonderici, Mehmet Demir, Ahmet Akkurt, Latif Dogan, Medeni Adigaman, Umit Kaydu, Fevzi Bor, Soner Onder (in coma), Cengiz Hasanoglu, Yuksel Yakisir; Hascki Hospital: Kemal Yilan: AI is deeply concerned at reports indicating that excessive force may have been used to restore order at Umraniye E-Type Prison for political prisoners in Istanbul after tension over prison conditions erupted into protests by detainees. There have been reports that 36 prisoners have been injured. AI fears that further casualties may occur as some 80 prisoners are reported to be continuing their protest.

Keywords: PRISON VIOLENCE / TORTURE/ILLEGAL-TREATMENT /

TURKEY

AI Index: EUR 44/153/95

Network: EXTRA-153/95

Pages: 1

Date: 19 December 1995

Title: Turkey: further information on: fear of "disappearance" / fear of torture

Abstract: Mazhar Kara, 32, Treasurer of Human Rights Association in Diyarbakir, Selahattin Arslan (name previously unknown): the above were released on 13 December 1995. According to a newspaper report they were severely tortured during 12 days in police custody.

Keywords: HUMAN RIGHTS ACTIVISTS / RELEASE / TORTURE/ILLEGAL-TREATMENT /

TURKEY

All Index: EUR 44/154/95

Network: EXTR/A-162/95

Pages: 1

Date: 19 December 1995

Title: Turkey: fear of "disappearance" /fear of torture: Masallah Yalcin

Abstract: On 13 December 1995, police officers detained Masallah Yalcin, a Kurdish worker, aged 24. His parents have been unable to trace his whereabouts since and it is feared that he is being interrogated under torture and may "disappear" in unacknowledged police custody.

Keywords: DISAPPEARANCES / MINORITIES / POLICE /

TURKEY

All Index: EUR 44/02/96

Network: EXTR/A-161/95

Pages: 1

Date: 5 January 1996

Title: Turkey: use of excessive force /fear for safety

Abstract: New names: Orhan Ozen, Riza Baybas, Abdulmeit Seekin, Metin Turan, Aga Yilirim and other political prisoners: On 4 January 1996 Orhan Ozen, Riza Baybas and Abdulmeit Seekin reportedly died of head injuries after about 200 gendarmes and police entered Umraniye Special Type Prison following prisoners' refusal to appear for morning roll-call. More than 30 prisoners and one warden were injured and the condition of six prisoners, including Metin Turan and Aga Yildirim, is understood to be serious.

Keywords: DEATH IN CUSTODY / ILL-HEALTH / PRISON VIOLENCE / TORTURE/ILL-TREATMENT /

TURKEY

All Index: EUR 44/03/96

Network: EXTR/A-161/95

Pages: 1

Date: 9 January 1996

Title: Turkey: further information on: use of excessive force /fear for safety

Abstract: Orhan Ozen, Riza Boybas (note corrected spelling), Abdulmeit Seekin, new: Metin Goktepe, journalist, aged 27; hundreds of participants at the funeral: Metin Goktepe, journalist for Evrensel newspaper, died on 8 January after being detained during the funeral of two political prisoners who had been beaten to death at Umraniye Prison in Istanbul on 4 January. More than 600 mourners were detained by police, many of whom were women and children.

Keywords: CHILDREN / DEATH IN CUSTODY / FUNERALS / JOURNALISTS / MASS ARREST / PHOTOGRAPHS / POLICE / POLITICAL PRISONERS / PRISON VIOLENCE / PRISONERS OF CONSCIENCE / TORTURE/ILL-TREATMENT / WOMEN /

TURKEY

AI Index: EUR 44/04/96

Network: EXTRA-161/95

Pages: 1

Date: 11 January 1996

Title: Turkey: further information on: use of excessive force /fear for safety/prisoners of conscience /fear of ill-treatment

Abstract: Orhan Ozgen, political prisoner, killed in prison, Riza Bogbas, political prisoner, killed in prison, Abdulkemal Secikin, political prisoner, killed in prison, Metin Goktepe, journalist, died following detention; new name: Gultekin Beyhan, political prisoner, died in hospital: on 10 January 1996, Gultekin Beyhan died of head injuries. Five out of some 50 injured prisoners in hospital are said to be in a serious condition.

Keywords: CHILDREN / DEATH IN CUSTODY / FUNERALS / JOURNALISTS / MASS ARREST / PHOTOGRAPHS / POLICE / POLITICAL PRISONERS / POST MORTEMS / PRISON VIOLENCE / PRISONERS OF CONSCIENCE / TORTURE/ILL-TREATMENT / WOMEN /

TURKEY

AI Index: EUR 44/08/96

Network: EXTRA-158/95

Pages: 1

Date: 15 January 1996

Title: Turkey: further information on: fear of arbitrary killing

Abstract: Hakan Guler, aged 24, sports teacher, Kadri Tursan, teacher, Roksal Gumus, Deputy Director, Lice National Education Branch: On 2 January 1996 the National Liberation Front of Kurdistan replied to AI saying that if the three teachers above had been abducted by armed PKK members, it was an unauthorized action, and urgent steps would be made to seek their release. AI remains seriously concerned for their safety.

Keywords: DISAPPEARANCES / NON-GOVERNMENTAL ENTITIES / PHOTOGRAPHS / TEACHERS /

TURKEY

AI Index: EUR 44/09/96

Network: UA-38/95

Pages: 1

Date: 18 January 1996

Title: Turkey: further information on: possible "disappearance" /fear for safety

Abstract: Osman Kundes, Kurdish trade unionist, father of six; new names: Halit Aydin, dental technician, Selahattin Yasak, teacher, Sakir Tanrikulu, Ahmet Gunbati, Ekrem Sasmaz, Halit Teymur, Arif Gezici: on 12 January the above were set free. This is the first case in Turkey where "disappeared" people have re-emerged alive after such a long period - almost a year- in captivity.

Keywords: DENTISTS / MINORITIES / PHOTOGRAPHS / RELEASE / TEACHERS / TRADE UNIONISTS /

TURKEY

AI Index: EUR 44/11/96

Network: EXTRA-120/95

Pages: 1

Date: 22 January 1996

Title: Turkey: further information on: fear of torture

Abstract: Burhan Mutlu, a Kurd aged 34, father of two and two others, names not known: All has just learned that Burhan Mutlu was released without charge after 15 days in police custody. His two fellow detainees are said to have been charged and committed to prison.

Keywords: MINORITIES / RELEASE /

TURKEY

All Index: EUR 44/12/96

Network: EXTRAI-159/95

Pages: 1

Date: 23 January 1996

Title: Turkey: further information on: fear of torture

Abstract: Gevher Toprak (f) aged 17, Emrullah Toprak, aged 14, Fatih Toprak, aged 9, Irfan Toprak, aged 22, plus one other person, name not known: All has learned that Irfan Toprak and the person whose name is not known have now been charged and committed to prison. Gevher Toprak has been released.

Keywords: ADMINISTRATIVE DETENTION / CHILDREN / JUVENILES / RELEASE / WOMEN /

TURKEY

All Index: EUR 44/13/96

Network: EXTRAI-161/95

Pages: 1

Date: 29 January 1996

Title: Turkey: further information on: use of excessive force / fear for safety/prisoners of conscience / fear of ill-treatment

Abstract: Orhan Ozen, political prisoner, killed in prison, Riza Bogbas, political prisoner, killed in prison, Abdülmeit Dzekin, political prisoner, killed in prison, Metin Goktepe, journalist, died following detention, Gultekin Beyhin, political prisoner, died in hospital: following the investigation by the Interior Ministry into the circumstances of Metin Goktepe's death, at least 15 police officers have been suspended from duty. Many of the police officers interrogated in connection with the death have alleged that they were in turn tortured during detention.

Keywords: JOURNALISTS / POLICE / POLITICAL PRISONERS / TORTURE/ILL-TREATMENT /

BELARUS

All Index: EUR 49/01/96

Network: UA-239/95

Pages: 1

Date: 23 January 1996

Title: Belarus: further information on: Fear of imminent execution: I.Y Kopytin

Abstract: All has learned that the death sentence of the above has been commuted to 15 years' imprisonment.

Keywords:COMMUNICATION /

UKRAINE

All Index: EUR 50/01/96

Network: EXTRA-06/96

Pages: 2

Date: 15 January 1996

Title:Ukraine: fear of imminent execution: Vitaly Gumenyuk

Abstract:Vitaly Gumenyuk was sentenced to death on 25 October 1995. His appeal against his sentence is due to be considered by the Supreme Court of Ukraine on 18 January 1996. All fears that if his appeal is turned down, he will face imminent execution.

Keywords:DEATH SENTENCE /

UZBEKISTAN

All Index: EUR 62/02/96

Network: UA-20/96

Pages: 1

Date: 30 January 1996

Title:Uzbekistan: fear of imminent execution

Abstract:Sukhrob Sobirov, Bakhodir Sharipov, aged 22: All fears that the above may face imminent execution. Appeals against their death sentences have been turned down by the Supreme Court, and their only hope of avoiding execution now is a petition for clemency to the President of Uzbekistan.

Keywords:DEATH SENTENCE / MINORITIES /

FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF YUGOSLAVIA

70/32/95

All Index: EUR

Network: UA-163/95

Pages: 1

Date: 14 December 1995

Title:Federal Republic of Yugoslavia (Kosovo province): further information on: death after custody /fear of torture/ill-treatment: Shefki Latifi

Abstract:Shefki Latifi (aged 56) was detained on 4 July 1995 at Pudujevo station and beaten by police. He died the same day. All has learned that in July a medical certificate was issued stating that he had died a natural death. The organization, however, has received a copy of a photograph which shows marks of bruising and laceration consistent with allegations that he was beaten. All calls for an investigation into his ill-treatment and death.

Keywords:DEATH IN CUSTODY / MINORITIES / POLICE / POST MORTEMS / TORTURE/ILL-TREATMENT /

EGYPT

AI Index: MDE 12/01/96

Network: U1-02/96

Pages: 1

Date: 5 January 1996

Title: Egypt: health concern /legal concern: Mohammad 'Abd al-Magid 'Abd al-Berri

Abstract: Ali fears for the health of the above who was arrested at the end of December. He reportedly suffers from various illnesses and is held in a prison where visits by families and lawyers have been banned since September 1994.

Keywords: AGED / ILL-HEALTH / INCOMMUNICADO DETENTION /

EGYPT

AI Index: MDE 12/03/96

Network: U1-02/96

Pages: 1

Date: 12 January 1996

Title: Egypt: health concern /legal concern: Mohammad 'Abd al-Magid 'Abd al-Berri

Abstract: Mohammed 'Abd al-Magid 'Abd al-Berri was released on 10 January 1996.

Keywords: AGED / RELEASE /

EGYPT

AI Index: MDE 12/04/96

Network: EXTR1-04/96

Pages: 1

Date: 15 January 1996

Title: Egypt: death penalty

Abstract: Ahmad 'Abd al-'Adhim Ahmad Fawwaz, Haggag Gum'a Mohammad Salim, Hosni al-Saggid Hussain al-Buhairi, Zakariya Mohammad 'Ali Bashir, Salah Sa'd Mohammad 'Awadh, Mostafa 'Abd al-Hamid Mostafa: on 13 January 1996 the six men named above were sentenced to death by a Supreme Military Court. Ali fears that they may be executed within days if their sentences are upheld. The men, all alleged members of a banned Islamist organization, Islamic Group, were accused of plotting to overthrow the present regime and illegally importing weapons into the country with a view to engaging in criminal activities.

Keywords: DEATH SENTENCE / MILITARY TRIBUNALS / RELIGIOUS GROUPS - ISLAMIC /

IRAN

AI Index: MDE 13/36/95

Network: U1-221/95

Pages: 1

Date: 19 December 1995

Title: Iran: further information on: fear of "disappearance" /health concern: Javad Rouhani and at least 25 others

Abstract: AI has received information that Javad Rouhani was released several days ago. The whereabouts of at least 25 others arrested in connection with this case remain unknown.

Keywords: RELEASE /

IRAN

AI Index: MDC 13/01/96
Network: EXTRA-02/96
Pages: 1
Date: 12 January 1996

Title: Iran: death penalty / legal concern

Abstract: Kazem Afkhami Moghadam-Tabrizi, Jalil Shoghi Khatibi, Mohammad-Mehdi Abbas-Zadeh, Sohrab Hosszini, Ali Mada-Karami: In two separate cases, the Supreme Court of Iran has reportedly confirmed the death sentences against the above five men, accused of spying for the United States of America and Iraq. Their execution may be imminent.

Keywords: DEATH SENTENCE / ESPIONAGE / TRIALS /

IRAN

AI Index: MDC 13/02/96
Network: UA-259/95
Pages: 1
Date: 17 January 1996

Title: Iran: further information on: death penalty: Rahman Rajabi

Abstract: The death sentence against Rahman Rajabi is reported to have been confirmed by the Supreme Court on 11 January 1996. AI fears that he faces imminent execution.

Keywords: DEATH SENTENCE / MINORITIES / POLITICAL ACTIVISTS /

IRAN

AI Index: MDC 13/03/96
Network: UA-266/95
Pages: 1
Date: 23 January 1996

Title: Iran: further information on: fear of torture / legal concern

Abstract: Hojjatoleslam val muslimin Mohammad Taqi al-Dhakri, aged 41, Hojjatoleslam val muslimin 'Abdolrahman al-Ha'eri, aged 32, Hojjatoleslam val muslimin Sayed 'Abdolrasul al-Musawi, aged 40, Hojjatoleslam Taleb al-Salghi, aged 24, Hojjatoleslam Mohammad Fazl M ohammad al-Saffar, aged 23, Hojjatoleslam Mohammad 'Ali Ma'ash, aged 24, Sighatoleslam Fu'ad Fujian, aged 30, Mohammad al-Ghaffari, aged 42, Hadi al-Akhound al-Dhakri, aged 29, lyad Fujian, aged 25, Hojjatoleslam val muslimin Sayed Morteza Shirazi, aged 29, and 7 others: new names: Hojjatoleslam val muslimin Ja'far Ghani al-Ha'eri, Hojjatoleslam Mohammad Salih Hedayati, Hojjatoleslam Sayed Abbas Musawi, Ahmad Akhound, Jalal Akhound: the whereabouts of at least 25 followers of Grand Ayatollah Shirazi remain unknown. Fears for their safety have been heightened

by unconfirmed reports that Saged Morteza Shirazi and Mohammad al-Ghaffari have been tortured.

Keywords:BUSINESS PEOPLE / INCOMMUNICADO DETENTION / MIDDLE EAST AND NORTH AFRICA / PHOTOGRAPHS / POSSIBLE POC / RELIGIOUS OFFICIALS - ISLAMIC /

IRAQ

AI Index: MDE 14/01/96

Network: UA-17/96

Pages: 1

Date: 26 January 1996

Title: Iraq: fear of "disappearance", torture and execution

Abstract: Ahmad Salim, shop keeper, Haidar 'Abd al-Jabar, student, Falih Maktuf, lawyer, Ahmad 'Abd al-Sattar, businessman, 'Ali Talib, transport worker, Hazim Mun-im, construction worker, Sa'id Kadhim Ahmad, university worker, Azhar 'Adnan, soldier, 'Adil plus three others: All fears that the 12 individuals listed above are at risk of "disappearance", torture and execution. All are reported to be members of the Iraqi Workers' Communist Party (IWCP) and are believed to have been arrested between October and December 1995.

Keywords:BUSINESS PEOPLE / CONSTRUCTION WORKERS / LAWYERS / MILITARY AS VICTIMS / POLITICAL ACTIVISTS / SHOP-KEEPERS / STUDENTS /

ISRAEL

AI Index: MDE 15/42/95

Network: EXTRA-163/95

Pages: 1

Date: 20 December 1995

Title: Israel: Torture /fear of continued torture

Abstract: Ala Omar Abu Ayash, aged 29 from Beit Omar, Khaldun Abu Ayash, brother of the above, also from Beit Omar, 'Abd al-Halim Belbaysi, aged 29, from Jabaliya, Gaza: three Palestinians, currently being interrogated in Askelon Prison, have reportedly been subjected to torture by violent shaking and other methods and are feared to be at risk of further torture.

Keywords:FAMILIES / ILL-HEALTH / MINORITIES / PROFESSIONAL ETHICS / TORTURE/ILL-TREATMENT /

ISRAEL

AI Index: MDE 15/43/95

Network: UA-276/95

Pages: 1

Date: 21 December 1995

Title: Israel/Occupied Territories: fear of torture: 15 Palestinians

Abstract: All fears that 15 Palestinians, reportedly members of the Islamic opposition group Hamas, arrested on or around 20 December 1995 are at risk of being tortured during interrogation by the General Security Service (GSS).

Keywords:POLITICAL ACTIVISTS / RELIGIOUS GROUPS - ISLAMIC /

ISRAEL

AI Index: MDE 15/02/96

Network: UAI-214/95

Pages: 1

Date: 3 January 1996

Title: Palestinian Authority: further information on: fear for safety and new concern: prisoner of conscience: Bassam Eid

Abstract: Bassam Eid, a researcher at BTsalem, a human rights organization based in Jerusalem, was arrested on 2 January 1996 by members of the Palestinian security forces.

Keywords: HUMAN RIGHTS ACTIVISTS / PRISONERS OF CONSCIENCE /

ISRAEL

AI Index: MDE 15/03/96

Network: UAI-214/95

Pages: 1

Date: 4 January 1996

Title: Palestinian Authority: further information on: fear for safety and new concern: prisoner of conscience: Bassam Eid

Abstract: On 3 January 1996, after 24 hours in the custody of the Palestinian security forces in Ramallah, Bassam Eid was released. While in detention he was neither interrogated nor told why he had been arrested.

Keywords: HUMAN RIGHTS ACTIVISTS / RELEASE /

ISRAEL

AI Index: MDE 15/04/96

Network: EXTRAI-163/95

Pages: 1

Date: 16 January 1996

Title: Israel: further information on: torture / fear of continued torture

Abstract: 'Ala Omar Abu Ayash, aged 29 from Beit Omar, Khaldun Abu Ayash, brother of the above, also from Beit Omar, 'Abd al-Halim Belbaysi, aged 29, from Jabaliya, Gaza: 'Abd al-Halim Belbaysi remains at risk of torture and ill-treatment during his continuing interrogation. AI is extremely concerned that the Supreme Court of Israel has effectively permitted the use of such treatment. 'Ala Omar Abu Ayash and Khaldun Abu Ayash were removed from interrogation and are now held in administrative detention.

Keywords: FAMILIES / ILL-HEALTH / MINORITIES / PROFESSIONAL ETHICS / TORTURE / ILL-TREATMENT /

JORDAN

AI Index: MDE 16/05/95

Network: UFI-277/95**Pages:** 0**Date:** 29 December 1995**Title:** Jordan: legal concern /possible prisoner of conscience: Leith Shubailat, head of the Engineers' Union**Abstract:** FI is seriously concerned about the arrest and continued detention of Leith Shubailat, the head of the Engineers' Union and a leading member of the opposition in Jordan. FI is concerned that he may be detained solely on account of his non-violent opposition to government policies.**Keywords:** DETENTION WITHOUT TRIAL / HUNGER-STRIKE / POSSIBLE POC / TRADE UNIONISTS /

LIBYA**FI Index:** MDC 19/01/96**Network:** UFI-14/96**Pages:** 1**Date:** 25 January 1996**Title:** Libya: fear of torture /legal concern**Abstract:** Abdel Mohmmad al-Khazni, aged 20, Salih Sulayman Haddoud, aged 19, Faraj Sulayman al-Du'agki, aged 21, Sulayman Abu-Setta, aged 20, Abdallah al-Mahdi Abu-Setta, aged 20, Salah al-Din Igad al-Shibani, aged 21, Mohammad Hassan al-Barrani, aged 20, Mohammad al-Mahtout al-Si'anu, aged 20 and 16 other students: it is feared that the above, reportedly tortured before being summarily tried and sentenced to various prison terms in mid-December 1995, are at risk of further ill-treatment or torture. The 24 are believed to be held incommunicado in a prison outside Tripoli.**Keywords:** INCOMMUNICADO DETENTION / STUDENTS /

SYRIA**FI Index:** MDC 24/03/96**Network:** UFI-16/96**Pages:** 1**Date:** 26 January 1996**Title:** Syria: fear of torture /health concern /prisoners of conscience**Abstract:** Mustafa al-Hussain, Umar al-Hajak, Muhammed Khzir Khalaf, Abd al-Karim Issa, Abdalla Qabbara, Hikmat Mirjanah, Yassin al-Haj Salih, Yusha' al-Khatib, Mazin Shamsin, Firas Yunis: ten prisoners of conscience are reported to have been moved to a military prison renowned for harsh conditions. FI fears that they may face torture or ill-treatment and is concerned that some of the men need medical attention.**Keywords:** HEALTH / PRISONERS OF CONSCIENCE /

SYRIA

AI Index: MDC 24/04/96

Network: UA-16/96

Pages: 1

Date: 26 January 1996

Title: Syria: further information on: fear of torture /health concern / prisoners of conscience

Abstract: Mustafa al-Hussain, 47, teacher, Umar al-Hagak, 41, civil servant, Muhammad Kheir Khalaf, 41, topographer, Abd al-Karim Issa, 44, civil servant, Abdalla Qabbara, 58, lawyer, Hikmat Mirjanah, 43, craftsman, Yassin al-Haj Salih, 39, student, Yusha' al-Khatib, 44, teacher, Mazin Shamsin, 35, student, Firas Yunis, 37, student: new names: Usama 'Ashur al-'Askari, 36, student, al-Harath al-Nabhan, 34, student, Safwan 'Akkash 43, university graduate, Taysir Hassun, 33, student, Adib al-Jani, 44, teacher, Ammar Rizq, 33, mechanical engineer, Ratib Sha'by, 33, student, Hussain al-Subagrani, 28, student, Aziz Tassi, 34, factory worker, Bakri Fahmi Sidqi, 37, student, Bassam Bedour: AI has learned the names of another 11 prisoners of conscience who have recently to a military prison after refusing a sign a statement promising that they will dissociate themselves from all past political activities.

Keywords: ARTISANS / CIVIL SERVANTS / ENGINEERS / FACTORY WORKERS / HEALTH / LAWYERS / PRISONERS OF CONSCIENCE / STUDENTS / TEACHERS /

UAE

AI Index: MDC 25/01/96

Network: UA-60/95

Pages: 1

Date: 26 January 1996

Title: United Arab Emirates: further information on: fear of torture /fear of refoulment and new medical concern: Sheikh 'Abd al-Mun'im al-'Ali

Abstract: Sheikh 'Abd al-Mun'im al-'Ali, a possible prisoner of conscience, has now been held in incommunicado detention for more than one year. AI is seriously concerned at his prolonged detention without charge or trial, and fears that he remains at risk of ill-treatment.

Keywords: FOREIGN NATIONALS / HEALTH / INCOMMUNICADO DETENTION / PHOTOGRAPHS / POSSIBLE POC /

UAE

AI Index: MDC 25/02/96

Network: EXTRA-127/95

Pages: 1

Date: 30 January 1996

Title: UAE: Flogging : Sarah Balabagan

Abstract: According to a press report, the prison authorities have begun to carry out the flogging sentence against Sarah Balabagan.

Keywords: CORPORAL PUNISHMENT / FOREIGN NATIONALS / PHOTOGRAPHS /

MOROCCO

AI Index: MDE 29/01/96
Network: EXTRAI-09/96
Pages: 1
Date: 24 January 1996

Title: Morocco: health concern /prisoners of conscience

Abstract: Abdelkader Sferi, aged 34, Ahmed Haou: Abdelkader Sferi, who has been on hunger-strike since 1 January 1996 is now in hospital in a serious condition. Another prisoner of conscience, Ahmed Haou, and three other political prisoners sentenced in unfair trials are also on a limited hunger-strike.

Keywords: HUNGER-STRIKE / PHOTOGRAPHS / PRISONERS OF CONSCIENCE /

TUNISIA

AI Index: MDE 30/01/96
Network: UAI-236/94
Pages: 1

Date: 5 January 1996

Title: Tunisia: further information on: possible prisoner of conscience / fear of unfair trial / legal concern / torture / fear of torture and new concern: unfair trial: Najib Hosni

Abstract: Najib Hosni was sentenced on 3 January 1996 to eight years' imprisonment. He was tried and sentenced without defence and has no right of appeal. All fears he may be imprisoned as a prisoner of conscience and calls for his immediate release unless he is promptly retried in full accordance with internationally recognized standards for fair trial.

Keywords: HUMAN RIGHTS ACTIVISTS / LAWYERS / PHOTOGRAPHS / TORTURE/ILL-TREATMENT / TRIALS /

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Date: 11 January 1996

Title: Tunisia: further information on: fear of torture / legal concern and new concerns: possible prisoners of conscience / torture / health concern

Abstract: Bachir Abid, Ali Jallouli, Abdel Moumens Belanz, students: AI has received reports that the above were tortured and ill-treated while held in illegally prolonged incommunicado detention in the Ministry of Interior for over 2 weeks. They have not been given medical attention and no judicial investigation is known to have been ordered or carried out into the allegations of torture.

Keywords: INCOMMUNICADO DETENTION / POSSIBLE POC / STRIKES / STUDENTS / TORTURE/ILL-TREATMENT / UNLAWFUL DETENTION /

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Date: 25 January 1996

Title: Tunisia: fear of ill-treatment /health concern /prisoner of conscience:
Mohamed Hedi Sassi

Abstract: The above has been on hunger-strike since last week. He is concerned for his health and the fact that he may face punishment for his protest. As a prisoner of conscience he should be immediately and unconditionally released.

Keywords: HUNGER-STRIKE / ILL-HEALTH / INCOMMUNICADO DETENTION / PRISONERS OF CONSCIENCE /

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