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Further information on UA 518/90 (EUR 44/195/90, 27 December 1990) - Fear of Torture

TURKEY:Nurettin Türkdo\_an

\_ahin Kurt

\_ükrü Kaya

Cafer Kele\_

Ali Önder Biter (please note correct name)

Orhan ...

Umit ...

Gülden Gülal (f)

R\_fat \_ahin

Mustafa Akku\_

Musa Can

Murat ...

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Those named above were brought before Ankara State Security Court on 5 January 1991. \_ahin Kurt, \_ükrü Kaya, Cafer Kele\_, Ali Önder Biter and Gülden Gülal were remanded in custody in Ankara Central Closed Prison, and it is believed that they will face charges of membership of an illegal organisation, participating in an illegal demonstration, and distributing leaflets. The others were released. They had been taken into police custody on 20 and 22 December 1990, and were held at Ankara Police Headquarters.

Those arrested by the court were at no time during their detention permitted access to their lawyers or families. In court, \_ahin Kurt and Nurettin Türkdo\_an made a complaint that while in detention they had been suspended by the arms and given electric shocks.

**FURTHER RECOMMENDED ACTION: Telexes/faxes/express and airmail letters:**

- asking for an independent and impartial investigation into these allegations of torture;
- requesting to be informed of its methods and findings;
- urging that statements extracted under torture or ill-treatment are not used as evidence in court.

**APPEALS TO:**

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**PLEASE SEND APPEALS IMMEDIATELY.** Check with the International Secretariat, or your section office, if sending appeals after 27 February 1991.