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Further information on EXTRA 20/93 (EUR 44/16/93, 26 February 1993) - Fear of Torture

TURKEY: Mehmet Gökalp, representative of Human Rights Association in Derik

and new names: _ehmus Gökalp, board member of ÖZDEP party in Derik
Hac_ Kabak, board member of People's Labour Party (HEP) in Derik
and others

Amnesty International has received information that Mehmet Gökalp was moved from Derik and is now being held at the Gendarmerie Brigade Headquarters (Jandarma Tugay Komutanl___) in Mardin. Women released from detention reported that he was for some time in a coma after severe torture and that the police had threatened him with death. Other detainees released in Mardin stated that 10 people including Mehmet Gökalp, _ehmus Gökalp and Hac_ Kabak, who were all detained in Derik on 25 February 1993, were under very heavy torture at the Gendarmerie Brigade Headquarters in Mardin. Under current legislation they may be held in incommunicado detention until 25 March 1993.

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

- expressing grave concern about the reported torture of Mehmet Gökalp, _ehmus Gökalp, Hac_ Kabak and others now being held incommunicado at Mardin Jandarma Tugay Komutanl___;

- urging that they are not subjected to torture or any other form of ill-treatment and that they are granted access to their lawyers;

- requesting to be informed of any charges brought against them.

APPEALS TO:

1) Mardin Gendarmerie Commander:

Albay Enver Uysal (Colonel)

Mardin Jandarma Komutanl___

Mardin, Turkey

Telegrams: Jandarma Alay Komutanligi, Mardin, Turkey

Telexes: 72004 jimr tr

Salutation: Dear Colonel

2) Mardin State Prosecutor's Office:

Cumhuriyet Ba_savc_l____

Mardin, Turkey

Telegrams: Cumhuriyet Bassavciligi, Mardin, Turkey

Salutation: Dear Prosecutor

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3) Minister of the Interior:

Mr _smet Sezgin

_çi_leri Bakanl____

06644 Ankara, Turkey

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Telexes: 46369 ICSL TR

Faxes: + 90 4 418 1795

Salutation: Dear Minister

4) Minister of Human Rights:

Mr Mehmet Kahraman

Devlet Bakan_

Ankara, Turkey

Telegrams: İnsan Haklari Bakanligi, Ankara, Turkey

Faxes: + 90 4 419 15 35

Salutation: Dear Minister

COPIES OF YOUR APPEALS TO:

President of the Parliamentary Human Rights Commission:

Mr Sabri Yavuz

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TBMM

Ankara, Turkey

and to diplomatic representatives of Turkey accredited to your country.

PLEASE SEND APPEALS IMMEDIATELY. Check with the International Secretariat, or your section office, if sending appeals after 26 March 1993.