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Further information on EXTRA 86/00 (EUR 44/59/00, 20 November 2000) - Risk of torture and ill-treatment

TURKEYHac_ Muhittin Ak (m), aged 65
Ay e Ak (f), aged 55

Abdülhamit Ak (m), aged 25 Gülizar Ak (f), aged 20 Dilber Ak (f), aged 16

Amnesty International has learned that the five members of the Ak family named above have been conditionally released.

Hac_Muhittin and Ay_e Ak, and their children Abdülhamit, Gülizar Ak and Dilber had been detained by gendarmes in November 2000 and were thought to be at risk or torture or ill-treatment. All of them except Dilber Ak were reportedly remanded to prison. They were apparently released in early 2001 under a new law on conditional release.

There have been no reports that they were tortured or ill-treated while in custody.

No further action is required by the Urgent Action network. Thank you to all those who sent appeals on behalf of the Ak family.