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Further information on 90/91 (EUR 44/31/91, 8 March 91) - Fear of Torture

TURKEY: _ükrü Tunç
 Kas_m Ekinci, seasonal migrant, IHD member, HEP board member
 Salih Ekinci
 Bengin Özal
 Münir Sevim
 Emin A_kara
 Salih Kayhan
 Mücahit_lter
 Ahmet Ba_yicit
 Selahattin ...
 Emin ...

 Mehmet Akkan
 _ükrü Kaya
 Bilal Kaya, brother of _ükrü
 Sad_k Kaya, brother of _ükrü
 Celal Süzer
 Hasan Süzer, brother of Celal
 Abdullah Çalapkulu, aged 15 (please note correct name)

New names: _efik Çalapkulu
 Ramazan Sezer
 Süleyman Baba
 Nezir Kaçak
 Mehmet Kaçak
 _zzettin Tekmen
 Bayram Tekmen relative
 Sabri Ahi

The first eleven named above were released between 11 and 13 March, and report that they were beaten during detention, and that the cells below the police station are completely full with dozens of detainees. Kas_m Ekinci was detained after he intervened saying "*Either you are animals or we are animals, which is it?*" when security forces raided Mehmet Akkan's house in muddy boots (considered a very gross insult in Turkey). He was beaten on the spot, taken to the police station where he was subjected to a jet of cold water, kept in wet clothes over night and released the next day.

Seven of those named in the original action are still in incommunicado detention: they are Mehmet Akkan, _ükrü Kaya, Bilal Kaya, Sad_k Kaya, Celal Süzer, Hasan Süzer, and Abdullah Çalapkulu. Amnesty International has also learned the names of eight others who were also detained on 7 and 8 March. They are _efik Çalapkulu, Ramazan Sezer, Süleyman Baba, Nezir Kaçak, Mehmet Kaçak, _zzettin Tekmen, Bayram Tekmen, and Sabri Ahi. After _efik Çalapkulu was detained he was taken by the security forces to his village, where his father saw him and said that his face was bruised and swollen.

FURTHER RECOMMENDED ACTION: Telegrams/telexes/faxes/express and airmail letters:

- urging that Mehmet Akkan and the 15 other people named are given prompt access to their families, are provided with facilities to appoint and consult with a lawyer, and that they are not ill-treated while in detention;
- asking for an impartial investigation of the allegations of ill-treatment made by those released;
- requesting to be informed of any charges brought against the detainees.

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