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Further information on EXTRA 73/92 (EUR 44/81/92, 27 August 1992) - Fear of torture

TURKEY: Saadik Çilik
Nuray Erdem
Mehmet Karabulut
Nurdan Odabas
Serdar Akat
Özkan (surname unknown to Amnesty International)
Attila Sabanc_
Fatma Çiçek (female)
Latif Tiftikçi
Nuri Eryüksel
Etem Elma
Siral Demiral
Ayçe Idil Erdem

All the detainees named above were released on 2 September 1992 by Ankara State Security Court. They all reported that they were tortured during police custody. The methods used included hanging by the wrists or arms and being given electric shocks. Fatma Çiçek stated that she suffers from a foot infection accompanied by inflammation and purulent secretions resulting from the beating on the soles of the feet (*falaka*) which she was subjected to. No further details are yet available concerning whether or not the detainees have been charged with any offence or if a case will be opened against them.

FURTHER RECOMMENDED ACTION: Please send telegrams/telexes/faxes/express and airmail letters

- urging that the reported torture of those people named above is fully and impartially investigated and that those found responsible are brought immediately to justice.

APPEALS TO:

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