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Further information on UA 444/90 (EUR 44/161/90, 2 November) - Fear of Torture

TURKEY: Ali Ekber Kaypakkaya - Ankara representative of

the journal Yeni Demokrasi

Re\_at Çetinba\_

Begum Çetinba\_ (f) ) journalists

Kamil Eser )
Mehmet Ali Çak\_ro\_lu )

Nam\_k Kemal Kaptan (please note correct name)

Nilgün Ünal (f)

and two other persons whose names are unknown

On 7 November 1990 the seven people named above were charged, presumably with membership of an illegal organization, and were committed to prison. The two unnamed people were released without being charged.

It is reported that all those arrested were beaten, suspended by the wrists, given electric shocks and kept constantly in wet clothing. Re\_at Çetinba\_ and Mehmet Ali Çak\_ro\_lu are both said to have received medical reports from the state doctor saying that their injuries would prevent them from working for 15 days. Re\_at Çetinba\_ had torn muscle fibres from being suspended by the wrists with arms tied behind the back.

On or around 27 October 1990 the police had detained the above-named journalists and two visitors. They were held at the First (Political) Branch of Ankara Police Headquarters.

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

- urging that a thorough, impartial and independent investigation be carried out into allegations that Ali Ekber Kaypakkaya, Re\_at Çetinba\_, Begum Çetinba\_, Kamil Eser, Mehmet Ali Çak\_ro\_lu, Nam\_k Kemal Kaptan and Nilgün Ünal were tortured while held in police custody at Ankara Police Headquarters between 27 October and 7 November;
- requesting to be informed of its methods and findings;
- urging that statements extracted under torture not be used as evidence against them.

## APPEALS TO:

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Adalet Bakanl\_\_\_\_
06659 Ankara

Telegrams: Justice Minister Sungurlu, Ankara, Turkey

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Prime Minister Yildirim Akbulut Office of the Prime Minister Basbakanlik Ankara, Turkey

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COPIES TO: Diplomatic representatives of Turkey in your country

PLEASE SEND APPEALS IMMEDIATELY. Check with the International Secretariat, or your section office, if sending appeals after 25 December 1990.