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Further information on UA 464/90 (EUR 44/166/90, 14 November, and follow-up EUR 44/174/90, 26 November) - Fear of Torture

TURKEY: Süleyman Koç

Seyithan Koç M Nezir Koç Ahmet Alpergin Rifat Önal Tahir Alpergin

Abdo Erdo_an (please note correct name)

Amnesty International has learned that the seven remaining detainees at Mardin Police Headquarters have been formally arrested; they were charged at Mardin Primary Criminal Court on 3 December with sheltering guerrillas, and sent to Diyarbakir Prison. All detainees claimed that they had been tortured while in detention. Süleyman Koç's leg was severely injured and Seyithan Koç had two broken teeth.

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

- urging that a thorough and impartial investigation is carried out into allegations that Am_e Koç, _ükrüye Koç, Süleyman Koç, Seyithan Koç, M. NezirKoç, Ahmet Alpergin, Rifat Önal, Tahir Alpergin and Abdo Erdo_an were tortured while held in detention at Mardin Police Headquarters;
- requesting to be informed of its methods and findings;
- urging that statements extracted under torture or ill-treatment are not used as evidence in court against them.

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