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Further information on EXTRA 12/93 (EUR 55/04/93, 9 February 1993) - <u>Death</u> in custody (please note change of concern)

AZERBAYDZHANI	REPUBLIC:	Sergey	Aleksandrovich	GREBENKOV	
(in Russian					_)

Amnesty International has learned that Sergey Grebenkov, who was facing the death penalty in Azerbaydzhan, was found dead in his cell in investigation-isolation prison (in Russian <u>Sledizolyator</u>) number 2 in the city of Gyandzha on 5 February 1993. A telegram with news of his death did not reach his family until 15 February. The official cause of death was given as suicide by hanging. However, unofficial sources have expressed suspicions that Sergey Grebenkov did not commit suicide but was deliberately killed in prison.

Amnesty International is calling on the authorities in the Azerbaydzhani Republic to conduct a full and impartial inquiry into the circumstances of the death of Sergey Grebenkov, the findings of which should be made public. If it is established that Sergey Grebenkov was deliberately killed, the perpetrators should be brought to justice in accordance with international standards.

FURTHER RECOMMENDED ACTION: Please send telegrams/telexes/faxes/express and airmail letters in English, Russian or your own language:

- expressing concern that Sergey Grebenkov has died in suspicious circumstances in investigation-isolation prison number 2 (Sledizolyator 2), Gyandzha;
- urging a full and impartial investigation into the circumstances of the death of Sergey Grebenkov, the findings of which should be made public;
- urging that, in the event that the investigation establishes that Sergey Grebenkov was deliberately killed, the perpetrators should be brought to justice in accordance with international standards.

## APPEALS TO:

1. President of the Azerbaydzhani Republic - Abulfaz Elchibey Azerbaydzhanskaya Respublika 370066 g. Baku ul. Kommunisticheskaya, 19 Prezidentu Azerbaydzhanskoy Respubliki Elchibeyu A.

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Salutation: Dear President

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2. Procurator General of the Azerbaydzhani Republic - Ikhtiyar Shirinov:

Azerbaydzhanskaya Respublika

370201 g. Baku

ul. Ezima Sarapostam, 9

Generalnomu prokuroru

Shirinovu I.

Telegrams: Azerbaydzhan, 370201 Baku, Gen. Prokuroru, Shirinovu I.

Salutation: Dear Procurator General

3. Minister of Internal Affairs of the Azerbaydzhani Republic - Iskender Gamidov:

Gaillagov:

Azerbaydzhanskaya Respublika

370205 g. Baku

ul. Godzhieva, 7

MVD Azerbaydzhanskoy Respubliki

Ministru Khamidovu I.

Telegrams: Azerbaydzhan, 370205 Baku, MVD, Ministru Khamidovu I.

Salutation: Dear Minister

COPIES OF YOUR APPEALS TO:

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and to diplomatic representatives of the Azerbaydzhani Republic in your country (these are usually to be found at the Embassy of the Russian Federation, the former Soviet Embassy).

PLEASE SEND APPEALS IMMEDIATELY. Check with the International Secretariat, or your section office, if sending appeals after 1 April 1993.