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Further information on UA 179/94 (EUR 56/04/94, 6 May 1994) - Fear of imminent execution

GEORGIA:      Sergo TIDILOV (or TINDILOV)  
                  Kakusha GRIGOLOVA

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Amnesty International has now learned that Sergo Tidilov (or Tindilov) and Kakusha Grigolova have been executed. It appears that a 1992 moratorium on executions, which applied to persons under sentence of death at the time this measure was introduced, was lifted by parliament in March 1994. The two men named above were subsequently executed, it is believed in May.

It is not known how many other persons sentenced prior to the 1992 moratorium also now face execution. Since then other death sentences have also been passed. Unofficial sources report that in the last two years 20 people awaiting execution have lodged petitions for clemency, but that only four such appeals have been granted.

Amnesty International opposes the death penalty in all cases without reservation, on the grounds that it is a violation of the right to life and the right not to be subject to cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment or punishment as proclaimed in the Universal Declaration on Human Rights. The organization is urging Eduard Shevardnadze, Chairman of the Georgian parliament and head of state, to commute all pending death sentences.

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

- expressing regret at the execution of Sergo Tidilov (or Tindilov) and Kakusha Grigolova;
- expressing regret at the lifting of the 1992 moratorium on executions, and urging its immediate reimposition;
- urging that all other pending death sentences be commuted.

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**PLEASE SEND APPEALS IMMEDIATELY.**