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Further information (1) on UA 105/96 (MDE 11/09/96), 18 April 1996, - Fear of Torture / Legal Concerns

BAHRAINSa'id al-'Asboul, civil engineer, aged 42

Amnesty International has learned that Sa'id al-'Asboul, an engineer and businessman, was released without charge or trial on 21 April 1996, eight days after his detention.

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

- welcoming the release of Sa'id al-'Asboul.
- urging the prompt release of anyone else held in connection with political unrest, unless they are to be charged with recognizable criminal offences;
 seeking assurances that all detainees are being treated humanely and urging that they be granted immediate access to lawyers, relatives and independent doctors if necessary.

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PLEASE SEND APPEALS IMMEDIATELY. Check with the International Secretariat, or your section office, if sending appeals after 4 June 1996.