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Death penalty

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IRANSaleh Hakki, aged 42, Kurd  
Sennar  
and 1 other

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Amnesty International has received information that the above three men, who have been sentenced to death, may be at imminent risk of execution. They have reportedly been moved to solitary confinement in Evin Prison in Tehran.

Saleh Hakki, from Mahabad, was reportedly arrested in July 1993 and convicted on drugs charges. The charges against the other two are not known to Amnesty International.

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

- calling for all three death sentences to be commuted;
- drawing attention to world trends to abolish or reduce the use of the death penalty, the desirability of which was reaffirmed in Resolution 32/61 of 8 December 1977 of the United Nations General Assembly.

**APPEALS TO:**

1) Leader of the Islamic Republic  
His Excellency Ayatollah Sayed 'Ali Khamenei  
The Presidency, Palestine Avenue  
Azerbaijan Intersection, Tehran, Islamic Republic of Iran  
**Telegrams: Ayatollah Khamenei, Tehran, Iran**  
**Salutation: Your Excellency**

2) His Excellency Hojjatoleslam  
Ali Akbar Hashemi Rafsanjani  
The Presidency, Palestine Avenue  
Azerbaijan Intersection, Tehran, The Islamic Republic of Iran  
**Telegrams: President Rafsanjani, Tehran, Iran**  
**Salutation: Your Excellency**

3) Head of the Judiciary  
His Excellency Ayatollah Mohammad Yazdi  
Ministry of Justice  
Park-e Shahr, Tehran, Islamic Republic of Iran  
**Telegrams: Head of Judiciary, Tehran, Iran**  
**Salutation: Your Excellency**

4) Minister of the Interior  
His Excellency Mohammad Ali Besharati Jahromi  
Ministry of the Interior  
Dr Fatemi Avenue, Tehran, Islamic Republic of Iran  
**Telegrams: Interior Minister, Tehran Iran**  
**Salutation: Your Excellency**

**COPIES TO:**

Minister of Foreign Affairs  
His Excellency Dr Ali Akbar Velayati  
Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Sheikh Abdolmajid Keshk-e Mesri Avenue

Tehran, Islamic Republic of Iran

Sa'id Raja'i Khorasani  
Chairman of the Islamic Consultative Assembly's Human Rights Committee  
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and to diplomatic representatives of Iran accredited to your country.

**PLEASE SEND APPEALS IMMEDIATELY.** Check with the International Secretariat,  
or your section office, if sending appeals after 20 May 1996.