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Further information on UA 214/95 (MDE 15/29/95, 8 September 1995) and follow-up (MDE 15/02/96, 3 January 1996) - Fear for Safety / Prisoner of Conscience

PALESTINIAN AUTHORITYBassem Eid, aged 38, human rights activist

On the evening of 3 January 1996, after 24 hours in the custody of the Palestinian security forces in Ramallah, Bassem Eid was released. While in detention he was neither interrogated nor told why he had been arrested. The Palestinian Authority have acknowledged that Bassem Eid was taken into custody, but have stated that his detention was a mistake.

No further action by the Urgent Action Network is requested. Thank you to all who sent appeals.