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Further information (3) on UA 96/96 (MDE 15/25/96, 4 April 1997) and follow-ups MDE 15/33/96, 13 May 1996; MDE 15/76/96, 21 November 1996 - Torture / legal concern

PALESTINIAN AUTHORITY Adib Muhammad Ziadeh, student, aged 26
Mustapha Atari, student of architectural engineering, aged 28
Muhammad Ba'lushi, student of sociology, aged 24
Hussain al-Silk, computer worker, aged 28
Jack Nazzal, medical laboratory worker

Amnesty International has learned that Muhammad Ba'lushi was released on 3 December 1996. Adib Ziadeh, Mustapha Atari and Hussain al-Silk were all released on 16 January 1997.

Jack Nazzal remains in Ramallah Central Prison.

FURTHER RECOMMENDED ACTION: Please continue appeals on behalf of Jack Nazzal:

- expressing continued concern about the prolonged detention without charge or trial of Jack Nazzal;
- seeking assurances that while in custody he is not being subjected to torture or ill-treatment and that he is being allowed access to his family and a lawyer and doctor of his choice;
- calling for his immediate and unconditional release unless he is to be charged with a recognizable criminal offence and given a prompt and fair trial.

APPEALS TO:

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Salutation: Dear President Arafat

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Salutation: Dear Mr 'Issa

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Salutation: Dear Mr al-Qidrah

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and to representatives of the PLO or Palestinian Authority in your country.

PLEASE SEND APPEALS IMMEDIATELY. Check with the International Secretariat,
or your section office, if sending appeals after 24 March 1997.