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Further information on UA 288/92 (MDE 15/22/92, 11 September 1992) - and follow-up(s): MDE 15/24/92, 25 September 1992; MDE 15/25/92, 9 October 1992 - Torture/ill-treatment

ISRAEL AND THE OCCUPIED TERRITORIES: Ahmad Sulayman Musa Qatamesh

Ahmad Sulayman Musa Qatamesh (ID card no. 98370264), arrested on 1 September 1992, remains under interrogation and is reported to have suffered loss of vision. Amnesty International continues to be concerned about his treatment.

On 15 October 1992 Ahmad Qatamesh was brought before a military judge and his detention was extended for a further 25 days. This is the third time his detention has been extended. At the hearing on 15 October he reportedly had to be led into the court room as he could not see. His lawyer has asked the authorities to allow a specialist in ophthalmology, Dr Yusuf al-Din, to visit and treat Ahmad Qatamesh.

Amnesty International is renewing its appeals for Ahmad Qatamesh to be allowed immediate access to adequate and independent medical care of his choice, and for any form of ill-treatment against him to be stopped.

As yet Amnesty International has not received a response from the Israeli authorities as to the allegations of torture or ill-treatment regarding Ahmad Qatamesh and his current legal situation.

FURTHER RECOMMENDED ACTION: Please send telegrams/telexes/faxes/express and airmail letters

- expressing concern about Ahmad Qatamesh's (ID no. 98370264) reported deteriorating health and loss of vision and urging that he be allowed immediate access to adequate and independent medical care of his choice;

- urging that any ill-treatment against him be stopped and that his allegation of torture or ill-treatment be investigated.

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PLEASE SEND APPEALS IMMEDIATELY. Check with the International Secretariat, or your section office, if sending appeals after 2 November 1992