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The eight political detainees on hunger strike were released on 20 October 1991. They had stopped their hunger-strike on 16 October after the authorities promised to look into their cases. They are now with their families.

The eight men were arrested in April 1991 and held since without charge or trial. They had gone on hunger-strike to protest at this situation. Amnesty International welcomes their release.

Many thanks to all those who took part in this action.

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FURTHER RECOMMENDED ACTION: Telegrams/telexes/faxes/express and airmail letters:

- those who have sent appeals may, if they wish, send one communication welcoming their release to the following:

His Excellency Taher Masri Your Excellency Prime Minister and Minister of Defence Office of the Prime Minister P O Box 80 Amman The Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan

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and copies to diplomatic representatives of Jordan in your country.