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Further information on UA 183/02 (MDE 30/011/2002, 18 June 2002) - Fear of torture / fear of Adisappearance@ New concerns: Threats

TUNISIAMoncef Chaker (m), aged 40

Moncef Chaker was released from secret detention on 14 June. He had been held for two weeks and told that if he revealed what had happened during this time, he would be rearrested. Following his release, he went into hiding and it was not known that he had been released until 18 June. He and his family are being intimidated by the police and concerns remain for his safety. Neither Moncef Chaker nor his family have been notified of any charges against him.

FURTHER RECOMMENDED ACTION: Please send further appeals to arrive as quickly as possible, in Arabic, French, English or your own language:

- urging the authorities to guarantee the physical well-being of Moncef Chaker and to immediately stop any intimidation against him and his family;
- asking that Moncef Chaker be granted medical assistance should he require it;
- urging the authorities to take immediate steps to ensure that nobody is detained in violation of Tunisian law and of international human rights treaties ratified by Tunisia.

APPEALS TO:

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M. Mohamed Fethi Houidi

Boulevard 7 novembre

Tunis

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and to diplomatic representatives of Tunisia accredited to your country.

PLEASE SEND APPEALS IMMEDIATELY. Check with the International Secretariat, or your section office, if sending appeals after 31 July 2002.