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Further information on UA 119/97 (MDE 30/22/97, 28 April 1997) and follow-up (MDE 30/24/97, 6 May; MDE 30/27/97, 14 May) - "Disappearance", Fear of Torture, Prisoners of conscience

TUNISIA Rachid ENNAJAR

Monji SOUAB

Jilani HAMMAMI - trade unionists

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Rachid Ennajar, Monji Souab and Jilani Hammami were released on bail on 27 May 1997.

The three men were among seven trade unionists arrested at the end of April 1997 in connection with public appeals issued earlier in the month protesting at increasing restrictions imposed by the authorities on political and civil liberties, freedom of expression and information and trade union rights in Tunisia and at the impact on Tunisia's citizens of the country's deteriorating economic situation. The four other individuals arrested with them have already been released; three were freed shortly after their arrest. Ahmed Berramila was released on bail on 12 May 1997.

**No further action is requested. Thank you to all those who sent appeals.**