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2005 UN Commission on Human Rights: Information for journalists

During the period 11-15 April 2005, Amnesty International will issue the following documents related to the work of the Commission:

- A joint statement under item 14 on specific groups and individuals;
- A joint oral statement under item 15 on the rights of indigenous people;
- An oral statement under item 17 on the promotion and protection of human rights;
- A public statement under item 18 on Algeria.

Amnesty International will take part in the following side events:

- 11 April at 13:00 in Room XXI at the Palais des Nations in Geneva - Amnesty International and a group of non-governmental organizations are sponsoring a panel of activists whose testimonies illustrate the devastating effect of some corporate activities on human rights;
- 12 April at 13:00 - Amnesty International and other non-governmental organizations are co-sponsoring an event on the rights of indigenous people.

Amnesty International's delegates at the 61st Session of the Commission during the week will include:

- Alessandra Masci, Amnesty International International Secretariat;
- Gaby Juen, Amnesty International European Union Office;
- Craig Benjamin, Amnesty International Canada;
- Daan Schoemaker, Amnesty International Netherlands.

During the period 4-8 April, Amnesty International published the following documents related to the work of the Commission:

- A report *The death penalty worldwide: developments in 2004*
<http://web.amnesty.org/library/index/engact500012005>;
- A joint statement under item 12 on Violence Against Women and sexual rights
<http://web.amnesty.org/library/index/engior410262005>;
- A press release *Colombia: Action must be taken to guarantee the safety of abducted Human Rights Defenders* <http://web.amnesty.org/library/index/engamr230072005>;
- A joint public statement *2005 UN Commission on Human Rights: Nepal human rights crisis continues: Member states must stand firm on Nepal at the Commission on Human Rights*
<http://web.amnesty.org/library/index/engior410272005>;
- A joint statement under item 11 on Civil and Political Rights
<http://web.amnesty.org/library/index/engior410242005>.

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For latest information on the 61st session of the UNCHR, please go to:

<http://web.amnesty.org/pages/unchr-intro-eng>

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