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Further information on UA 213/84 (AMR 29/27/84 24 August) - "Disappearance"

EL SALVADOR: Guillermo RAMOS ORELLANA
Ms Luz de María ESCALANTE

Amnesty International has learned that Luz de Maria Escalante, aged 58, Secretary General of the *Sindicato de la Industria Textil*, Textile Industry Trade Union, and an employee of the "El León" thread factory in San Salvador, was released two days after her arrest. She was reported to have been detained on 12 August 1984 by uniformed members of the *Guardía Nacional*, National Guard, and held at *Guardía Nacional* headquarters in San Salvador for questioning before being released.

Student leader Guillermo Ramos Orellana was detained at 4.00 pm on 9 August 1984 while he was waiting for a bus opposite the National Theatre in San Salvador. He was reported to have been arrested by armed civilians using a small van with smoked glass windows, in the presence of three uniformed members of the National Police who did not intervene. He was later located in Mariona Prison where he had been taken by plainclothes members of the National Police. He is reported to have been beaten at the time of his arrest. Amnesty International has no further details of his legal situation.

Further recommended action:

Please continue to send appeals on behalf of Guillermo Ramos Orellana requesting the reason for his detention and details of any charges against him.

Appeals should be sent to:

Coronel Reynaldo López Nuila

Vice-Ministro de Defensa y de Seguridad Pública Ministerio de Defensa y de Seguridad Pública

Doble Vía a Santa Tecla

San Salvador, El Salvador

(Deputy Minister of Defence in charge of Treasury

Police, National Guard and National Police)

Sr. Director General

Dirección General de Centros Penales y de

Readaptación

Ministro de Justicia

3a Avenida N. y 11a Calle Poniente

San Salvador, El Salvador

(General Directorate of Penal and Reform

Institutes)

Copies of appeals may be sent to:

Oficina de Tutela Legal del Arzobispado Comisión Diocesana de Justicia y Paz

Apartado Postal 2253

San Salvador, El Salvador

(Legal Aid Office of the Archbishopric)

Lic. Miguel Angel Parada

Rector

Universidad de El Salvador (UES)

San Salvador, El Salvador

(Rector of University of El Salvador)

and to Salvadorian diplomatic representatives in your country.

Please check with the International Secretariat if sending appeals after 1 December 1984.