

EXTERNAL

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Further information on UA 195/97 (AMR 41/53/97, 2 July 1997) - Disappearance"
/ Fear for safety

MEXICO José Pacheco Pineda
 Severo Oyorzabal
 Mauro Oyorzabal

Jose Pacheco Pineda was released on the morning of 8 July 1997. He had been abducted on 27 June 1997 by a group of unidentified men allegedly linked to the security forces. In the testimony he provided after his release he recounted how he had been questioned continuously by his captors in an attempt to link him with the activities of the *Ejército Popular Revolucionario*, (EPR), Revolutionary Popular Army, an armed opposition group.

He was released in the municipality of Actopan, in the state of Veracruz.

He publicly welcomed the national and international campaign on his behalf.

Amnesty International has no further information concerning the brothers Severo Oyorzabal and Mauro Oyorzabal, also leaders of the *Organización Campesina Independiente de Comundades Indígenas*, (OCICI), Independent Peasant Organization of Indigenous Communities, an indigenous peasant farmers organization in the state of Guerrero. They were thought to be at risk of being "disappeared" by the security forces or paramilitary groups, or of being subjected in incommunicado detention and torture.

No further action by the UA network is required. Thanks to all who sent appeals.