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VENEZUELA

Juan Vicente PALMERO - "disappeared"
Kevys Wilfredo PALMERA (14)
Francisco Javier BELTRAN (17)
José Alirio DANILA
Luis BRACCA
Luis Alberto MACUALO (50), Colombian
Cruz Antonio MARTINEZ (25)
Wilson Manuel FAJARDO ACOSTA (22)
Yonny Alberto SALAZAR BONA (19)
Yunny Javier SALAZAR BONA (18)
Seferino RODRIGUEZ (38), Colombian
Julio Aldemaro ARTAONA (24)
Francisco Ramón HERNANDEZ (21)
José Oracio BUSTAMANTE
Neira Casilda BONA DE SALAZAR (41), female
Allela CORTES CAMACHO (32), female
Luis Carlos NAVARRO BONA, Colombian
Plinio ROMERO MARTINEZ
Régulo Armando OJEDA
Marcos Ramón COLMENARES (43)
Freddy Euclides ROMERO FLORES
Luis Alberto LARA
Carlos José VASQUEZ (45), Colombian

All those named above - except for Juan Vicente Palmero - detained by members of the Venezuelan Navy between 26 February and 3 March 1995, have been released without charge. All have alleged that they were tortured or ill-treated in custody.

Juan Vicente Palmero, who, in UA 59/95, was reported to have been killed, is now reported as having "disappeared" in custody. Amnesty International continues to press for investigations into his whereabouts and also into the allegations of torture, but no further appeals from the Urgent Action Network are requested. Thank you to all who sent appeals.