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PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF CHINAZeng Jingmu, Roman Catholic Bishop, aged 76

It has been confirmed within the last week that 76-year-old Bishop Zeng Jingmu is reported to be still in detention in Jiangxi province and remains seriously ill. Zeng Jingmu was most recently detained in November 1995, and is suffering from a serious case of pneumonia contracted while previously detained in October 1995.

Amnesty International is concerned that Zeng Jingmu has been seriously ill for almost four months and appears not to be receiving adequate medical care. He was reportedly frail and in poor health prior to his detention last October.

FURTHER RECOMMENDED ACTION: Please send telegrams/telexes/faxes/express/airmail letters in English or Chinese or in your own language:

- demanding the immediate and unconditional release of Bishop Zeng Jingmu;
- and demanding that he be given immediate medical treatment.

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PLEASE SEND APPEALS IMMEDIATELY. Check with the International Secretariat, or your section office, if sending appeals after 25 March 1996.