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Further information on EXTRA 48/97 (ASA 21/20/97, 2 April 1997) and follow-up (ASA 21/21/97, 3 April) - Possible prisoners of conscience / Fear of torture

INDONESIA32 students (named in original EXTRA and update)

Amnesty International has learned that all the students arrested during a demonstration in Yogyakarta, Central Java, on 1 April 1997 were released from police custody without charge on 2 April after having their names recorded by the police.

The students were demonstrating around universities in Yogyakarta in support of the pro-democracy movement in Indonesia and calling for an election boycott. It is believed that the total number of students taken into custody was 36, but the names of four are not known. Some students are believed to have been beaten as they were arrested.

No further action by the UA Network is requested. Thank you to those who sent appeals.