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Further Information on UA 182/03 (ASA 21/028/2003, 20 June 2003) and follow-up (ASA 21/029/2003, 30 June 2003) - Fear of torture or ill-treatment/Unlawful detention/Fear for safety

INDONESIA

Nuraini (f) aged 29, human rights defender
Zakaria Ismail (m), aged 65, farmer, her father
Zulkifli (m), aged 50
Asiah (f)]
Afridal Darmi (m)] human rights defenders
Syarif Murlina (f)]
Members of the Commission for Involuntary Disappearances and
Victims of Violence (Kontras)
Members of Aceh Branch of Legal Aid Association (LBH)

Nuraini has been released from the Police Headquarters (Polda) in Banda Aceh, Nanggroe Aceh Darussalam (NAD) Province, where she was transferred on 28 June. However, she still has to report weekly to the police in Banda Aceh and is therefore unable to return to her home in Pidie District.

Her father, Zakaria Ismail, and neighbour, Zulkifli, who were detained with her on 19 June are believed to be in Pidie Police Resort (Polres), but there is no information on whether they have been charged or on their condition. Nuraini and Zakaria Ismail were beaten and blindfolded by security forces while being taken into detention.

The Aceh branch of the Legal Aid Foundation (LBH) and Commission for Involuntary Disappearances and Victims of Violence (Kontras) have not reported any further difficulties this week, although there are still concerns about the security of their staff and of other human rights defenders in NAD.

Many thanks to all those who sent appeals. Amnesty International will continue to monitor these cases and will resume campaigning should this be necessary. Please send a final round of appeals, in Bahasa Indonesia, English or your own language:

- welcoming the release of Nuraini, but urging the authorities to remove the reporting conditions;
- urging the authorities to immediately and unconditionally release Zakaria Ismail and Zulkifli if they are being detained solely on account of their peacefully held views or activities;
- expressing concern at reports that Nuraini and Zakaria Ismail were tortured, and urging that an immediate, independent and thorough investigation is carried out into these allegations;
- reminding the authorities of the legitimate role of human rights defenders and their responsibility to protect them in accordance with the UN Declaration on the Right and Responsibility of Individuals, Groups and Organs of Society to Promote and Protect Universally Recognized Human Rights and Fundamental Freedoms.

APPEALS TO:

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Salutation: **Dear Brigadier General**

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Maj.Gen Endang Suwarya
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Salutation: **Dear Major General**

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and to diplomatic representatives of Indonesia accredited to your country.

PLEASE SEND APPEALS IMMEDIATELY. Check with the International Secretariat, or your section office, if sending appeals after 15 August 2003.