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Fear for

**INDONESIAT. Faturrazi bin Anwar (m), aged 23  
Syukran bin Teungku Hamzah (m), aged 21  
Zulfikar bin M. Amin (m), aged 20**

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The three fishermen named above were taken from their village in North Aceh by soldiers on 11 November. They have not been seen since, and there are serious concerns for their safety.

Around 30 members of the Indonesian military were reportedly carrying out operations in the village, Pusong Baroe, in Dewantara Sub-district, at the time. The three men were sitting in front of their house preparing to go to sea when they were taken by the troops.

#### **BACKGROUND INFORMATION**

Serious human rights violations, including unlawful killings, "disappearances", torture and arbitrary arrests, are continuing in Aceh during military and police operations against the armed opposition group, the Free Aceh Movement (*Gerakan Aceh Merdeka, GAM*). New military operations began in May 2001, and hundreds of extra troops have been sent to the province. Local human rights groups have reported that around 550 people, many of them civilians, have been killed since the beginning of the military operations. Anyone detained by the police or military in Aceh is at grave risk of torture or other human rights violations.

**RECOMMENDED ACTION: Please send appeals to arrive as quickly as possible, in Bahasa Indonesia, English or your own language:**

- urging the authorities to immediately reveal where T. Faturrazi bin Anwar, Syukran bin Teungku Hamzah and Zulfikar bin M. Amin are and why they were detained;
- urging the authorities to provide guarantees that the men will not be subjected to torture, ill-treatment or other human rights violations, and will be given immediate access to lawyers of their own choice, their families and medical attention;
- urging them to ensure that the men are released immediately and unconditionally unless they are to be charged with a recognizably criminal offence.

#### **APPEALS TO:**

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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 26 December 2001.