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Further information on UA 360/91 (EUR 44/139/91, 29 October 1991) - Fear of Torture/Health Concern

TURKEY:Hüseyin TORAMAN, aged 24

Hüseyin Toraman was detained in Istanbul on 27 October 1991 by three civilian police. He is said to be wanted for his alleged activities for an illegal political organization. His father, Ali Riza Toraman, had been detained on 1 May 1991 and was held for 24 hours. Ali Riza Toraman alleges that during this period he was beaten and was asked for information about the whereabouts of his son. Please note that the police were not led to Hüseyin Toraman's address by his father as was previously indicated on UA 360/91 (EUR 44/139/91, 29 October 1991).

It now appears likely that Hüseyin Toraman is being held at Gebze Police Headquarters, about 60 kilometres south of Istanbul. However, when the family went to Gebze Police Headquarters, the police denied holding him. It appears probable that he is being interrogated under torture.

Hüseyin Toraman is suffering from asthma and a slipped disc (herniated intervertebral disc). There is added concern that torture may bring on asthma attacks.

**RECOMMENDED ACTION: Telegrams/telexes/faxes/express and airmail letters:**

- urging that Hüseyin Toraman's lawyer and family are allowed to see him in detention and that he is not ill-treated while in police custody;
- appealing that he will be given all medical attention he may require;
- asking whether he has been charged and what the charges against him are.

**APPEALS TO**

1) The Chief of Police  
Gebze Police Headquarters  
Gebze Emniyet Müdürlüğü  
Gebze  
\_zmit, Turkey

**Dear Sir**

**Telegrams: Chief of Police, Gebze Police Headquarters, Izmit, Turkey**

2) (Minister of the Interior)

Mr Sabahattin Çakmakolu

**Dear Minister**

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3) (Prime Minister)

Prime Minister Mesut Yılmaz

**Dear Prime Minister**

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and to diplomatic representatives of Turkey in your country.

**PLEASE SEND APPEALS IMMEDIATELY.** Check with the International Secretariat, or your section office, if sending appeals after 18 December 1991.