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**Dmitry RASSOKHIN
UZBEKISTAN**

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On 26 January 1994 Amnesty International issued information on 22-year-old Dmitry Rassokhin, a prisoner on death row who was without access to any proper medical care. He was sentenced to death in July 1992 for premeditated murder, but Amnesty International holds concerns about his sentence, having received reports from unofficial sources of serious errors and oversights in the preliminary investigation of the crime.

Dmitry Rassokhin is held on death row in the investigation-isolation prison in Tashkent. Since his arrest and imprisonment, he is reported to have developed a gastric ulcer for which he appeared not to be receiving proper treatment. He is also said to have been in a poor general state of health and to have developed an ulcerative condition on both the soles and upper surfaces of his feet which was prompted or aggravated by his damp cell conditions.

Amnesty International has recently learned that Dmitry Rassokhin, who is still in prison in Tashkent, has now begun to receive medical attention and treatment.

No further appeals are requested from medical professionals at present. Amnesty International will continue to investigate the circumstances surrounding his arrest, trial and sentencing. Thank you to all those who appealed for him to receive medical care.