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Further Information on UA 242/03 (EUR 63/016/2003, 13 August 2003) - Fear of Forcible Return

BOSNIA-HERZEGOVINA Amgad Fath Allah Yusuf 'Amir (m), aged 37

According to a 22 October report by the Bosnian news agency *Onasa*, the Bosnia-Herzegovina State Court has dismissed the request of the Egyptian authorities for the extradition of Amgad Fath Allah Yusuf 'Amir. Had he been returned to Egypt, he would have been at grave risk of torture, unfair trial and the death penalty.

The State Court denied the request on the grounds that Amgad Fath Allah Yusuf 'Amir was a citizen of Bosnia-Herzegovina, who had formally sought refugee status in the country.

The Egyptian authorities reportedly allege that Amgad Fath Allah Yusuf 'Amir is a member of the armed Islamist opposition group *al-Gama'a al-Islamiya*. The Prosecutor's Office of Bosnia-Herzegovina has reportedly announced that it will ask the Egyptian authorities for information about the charges against Amgad Fath Allah Yusuf 'Amir, with a view to establishing whether there are grounds for initiating criminal proceedings against him in Bosnia-Herzegovina.

No further action is requested from the UA network at present. Many thanks to all those who sent appeals.