EXTERNAL AI Index: MDE 13/24/96

10 July 1996

Further information on EXTRA 52/96 (MDE 13/11/96, 12 April 1996) - Death penalty

IRAN Saleh Hakki, aged 42, Kurd Sennar

and one other

Amnesty International has received unconfirmed reports that the execution of Saleh Hakki may be imminent. He has apparently been informed by the prison authorities that his death sentence has been confirmed and would be carried out.

Saleh Hakki, from Mahabad, was reportedly arrested in July 1993 and convicted on drugs charges.

There is no further information available on Sennar and the other person mentioned above who have also been sentenced to death.

FURTHER RECOMMENDED ACTION: Please send telegrams/express/airmail letters in English, French or in your own language:

- urging that Saleh Hakki not be executed and that his sentence be commuted;
- calling for the other two death sentences to be commuted;
- drawing attention to world trends to abolish or reduce the use of the death penalty, the desirability of which was reaffirmed in Resolution 32/61 of 8 December 1977 of the United Nations General Assembly.

APPEALS TO:

1) Leader of the Islamic Republic His Excellency Ayatollah Sayed 'Ali Khamenei The Presidency, Palestine Avenue Azerbaijan Intersection, Tehran, Islamic Republic of Iran

mala manage and the control of the manage of the control of the co

Telegrams: Ayatollah Khamanei, Tehran, Iran

Salutation: Your Excellency

2) His Excellency Hojjatoleslam Ali Akbar Hashemi Rafsanjani The Presidency, Palestine Avenue

Azerbaijan Intersection, Tehran, The Islamic Republic of Iran

Telegrams: President Rafsanjani, Tehran, Iran

Salutation: Your Excellency

3) Head of the Judiciary His Excellency Ayatollah Mohammad Yazdi Ministry of Justice Park-e Shahr, Tehran, Islamic Republic of Iran

Telegrams: Head of Judiciary, Tehran, Iran

Salutation: Your Excellency

4) Minister of Information His Excellency Hojjatoleslam Ali Fallahian Ministry of Information Tehran, Islamic Republic of Iran

Telegrams: Information Minister, Tehran, Iran

Salutation: Your Excellency

COPIES TO:

Minister of Foreign Affairs His Excellency Dr Ali Akbar Velayati Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Sheikh Abdolmajid Keshk-e Mesri Avenue Tehran, Islamic Republic of Iran

Chairman of the Islamic Consultative Assembly's Human Rights Committee Imam Khomeini Avenue, Tehran, Islamic Republic of Iran

Mr Hussain Farahi, Secretary, Islamic Human Rights Commission PO Box 13165-137, Tehran Islamic Republic of Iran

and to diplomatic representatives of Iran accredited to your country.

PLEASE SEND APPEALS IMMEDIATELY. Check with the International Secretariat, or your section office, if sending appeals after 12 August 1996.