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Further information on EXTRA 39/96 (MDE 15/19/96, 13 March 1996) - Death Penalty

PALESTINIAN AUTHORITY 'Attiya Abu Nuqayreh, 26  
Ala' 'Akel, 23

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Amnesty International welcomes the news that the death sentences passed on 'Attiya Abu Nuqayreh and Ala' 'Akel were commuted on 21 March 1996.

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

- welcoming the commuting of the death sentences passed on 'Attiya Abu Nuqayreh and Ala' 'Akel and urging the Palestinian Authority, in line with world trends against the use of the death penalty, to abolish the death penalty and to ensure that any new penal code excludes the death penalty as a punishment for both civilians and military.

**APPEALS TO:**

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**Salutation: Dear President Arafat**

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and to diplomatic representatives of Palestinian Authority accredited to your country. **DO NOT COPY YOUR LETTERS TO ISRAELI DIPLOMATIC REPRESENTATIVES IN YOUR COUNTRY.**

**PLEASE SEND APPEALS IMMEDIATELY.**