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## ISRAEL/SOUTH LEBANON'Ali Diya, aged 44, dentist and journalist

'Ali Diya, the Lebanese journalist working with Agence France Presse (AFP), who was arrested on 13 June 1996 by the South Lebanon Army and transferred to detention in Israel, was released without charge by the Israeli authorities on 18 July. He was taken from Kishon Prison to South Lebanon and has now returned home.

The substantial international pressure generated by the Urgent Action Network and other international organizations is thought to have played an important role in obtaining 'Ali Diya's release. No further action is requested. Thank you to all who sent appeals.