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Further information on UA 234/01 (MDE 15/082/2001, 14 September 2001) and follow-ups (MDE 15/084/2001, 18 September 2001 and MDE 15/098/2001, 26 October 2001) - Legal concern/possible prisoner of conscience

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OCCUPIED TERRITORIES Daoud al-Dir'awi (27)

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Human rights defender Daoud al-Dir'awi was released from administrative detention on 12 March, after his six-month detention order expired. He thanks everyone who has been campaigning on his behalf.

**BACKGROUND INFORMATION**

No criminal charges are filed against people in administrative detention, and there is no intention of bringing them to trial. Each administrative detention order specifies the date until which the detainee is to be held, but the order is frequently renewed when or before it expires. This process can be continued indefinitely. Hundreds of Palestinians have had administrative detention orders served on them in the past few weeks.

**Many thanks to all those who sent appeals. No further action is required by the UA network.**