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Further information on UA 333/94 (MDE 23/04/94, 9 September 1994) - Fear of torture/ill-treatment

Saudi Arabia: Dr 'Abdullah al-Hamed  
Dr Muhsin al-'Awaji

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Dr 'Abdullah al-Hamed was reportedly admitted to hospital in Riyadh at the beginning of week commencing 7 November 1994. He is said to be suffering from diabetes, but it is not known if this was the reason for his hospitalization.

Amnesty International remains concerned that both Dr Muhsin al-'Awaji and Dr al-Hamed continue to be held incommunicado reportedly without charge or trial.

Both men were arrested by the *al-Mabahith al-'Ammah* (General Intelligence) on 8 September 1994 and taken to an unknown location. Amnesty International remains concerned that Dr al-'Awaji may be subjected to torture and ill-treatment.

**FURTHER RECOMMENDED ACTION: Please send telegrams/telexes/faxes/express and airmail letters**

- seeking clarification of the causes for Dr al-Hamed's hospitalization;
- seeking assurances that both Dr al-Hamed and Dr al-'Awaji be treated humanely and allowed access to family members, defence counsel and doctors;
- urging that they be released unless charged with a recognizably criminal offence and given a prompt and fair trial.

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