

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Please send telegrams/telexes/airmail letters:

- expressing concern that Dr Nour al-Din al-Atassi is reported to be critically ill;

- seeking assurances that he will receive all medical treatment necessary during his illness and that he, as well as the other 15 detainees arrested with him, will be given regular medical attention;

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- expressing concern at their continued detention without trial for almost 22 years and calling for the immediate and unconditional release of all 16 detainees as prisoners of conscience.

APPEALS TO

1) His Excellency **Your Excellency**
President Hafez al-Assad
Presidential Palace
Damascus, Syrian Arab Republic
Telegrams: President al-Assad, Damascus, Syria
Telexes: 419160 munjed sy

2) His Excellency Muhammad Harba **Your Excellency**
Minister of the Interior
Ministry of the Interior
Damascus, Syrian Arab Republic
Telegrams: Interior Minister, Damascus, Syria

3) His Excellency Khalid al-Ansari **Your Excellency**
Minister of Justice
Ministry of Justice
Nasr Street
Damascus, Syrian Arab Republic
Telegrams: Justice Minister, Damascus, Syria

4) His Excellency Dr. Iyad al-Shatti **Your Excellency**
Minister of Health
Ministry of Health
al-Majlis al-Niyabi Street
Damascus, Syrian Arab Republic
Telegrams: Health Minister, Damascus, Syria
Telexes: HEALTH 412655 sy

5) His Excellency Faruq al-Shar'a **Your Excellency**
Minister of Foreign Affairs
Ministry of Foreign Affairs
Al-Rashid Street
Damascus, Syrian Arab Republic
Telegram: Foreign Affairs Minister, Damascus, Syria
Telexes: 411922

COPIES OF YOUR APPEALS TO:

Medical Association:

Dr. M. Cherif Bakle
Ordre des Mediciens Syriens
Place de l'Etoile
Damascus, Syrian Arab Republic

and to diplomatic representatives of Syria in your country

PLEASE SEND APPEALS IMMEDIATELY. Check with the International Secretariat,
or your section office, if sending appeals after 12 June 1992.