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Further information on UA 24/02 (MDE 28/001/002, 24 January 2002) - Secret detention / Fear of "disappearance" / Fear of ill-treatment

ALGERIABoubaker KAMAS (m)

The family of Boubaker Kamas have been informed that he is detained at the prison of Skikda, a town in the north of the eastern *wilaya* (province) of Constantine. He has been charged with providing assistance to a "terrorist" group.

Amnesty International has not received any reports of how he is being treated, but his family were able to visit him in prison on 26 January.

Boubaker Kamas had been arrested at his home in the *wilaya* of Constantine on 9 January. There was no news of him for more than two weeks, and there were fears that he had "disappeared".

No further action is requested from the Urgent Action network at this stage. Many thanks to all those who sent appeals.