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TUNISIANajib El Baccouchi, member of the *Union Générale des Etudiants Tunisiens, UGET*, General Union of Tunisian Students

Amnesty International has learned that Najib El Baccouchi stopped his hunger-strike, which he had begun on 22 April 1995, in early May. He is not reported to be suffering any ill-health as a consequence of his hunger-strike.

He has now been transferred to Gafsa Prison further south in the country, making it difficult for his family to visit him.

Amnesty International deplores the fact that Najib El Baccouchi was subjected to cruel and degrading treatment as punishment for having gone on hunger-strike, and remains concerned that he may be a prisoner of conscience.

The organization continues to monitor Najib El Baccouchi's situation, but at present no further action by the Urgent Action Network is requested. Thank you to all who sent appeals.