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Further information on UA 363/97 (MDE 31/15/97, 20 November 1997) - Fear of ill-treatment / Medical concern / Possible prisoners of conscience

YEMEN Hussein Ba'um, Secretary of YSP in Hadramout province
Muhsin al-Amudi, Secretary of LSY
Hussein Sa'id al-Muhammad, a member of LSY
And at least 28 others

It has been reported that all the above-mentioned detainees were released on 17 December 1997.

Thirty-one people were arrested in Hadhramout province between 10 and 13 November linked to their involvement in campaigns against a government proposal to divide Hadhramout into two provinces.

It is not known whether an investigation into the alleged beatings of the detainees will be carried out.

No further action is required by the UA network. Thank you to all who sent appeals on this case.