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**Further Information on UA 49/06 (MDE 31/003/2006, 6 March 2006) – Death sentence/fear of imminent execution**

**YEMEN                      Adil Muhammad Saif al-Ma'amari (m), aged about 21**

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Juvenile offender Adil Muhammad Saif al-Ma'amari is now known to have been executed in February 2007.

He had been arrested in July 2001, and was held at a police station where he confessed, allegedly under torture, to murdering a male relative in an argument. He was put on trial shortly afterwards. Although medical examinations showed that he had not passed his 17<sup>th</sup> birthday, and Article 31 of Yemen's Penal Code prohibits the execution of child offenders. He was sentenced to death on 19 October 2002.

Yemen ratified the Convention on the Rights of the Child, which expressly prohibits the execution of juvenile offenders, in 1991.

Adil Saif's appeals were rejected by the Court of Appeal on 23 May 2005, and then by the Supreme Court on 27 February 2006.

**No further action is requested from the UA network. Many thanks to all who sent appeals.**