

URGENT ACTION

TWO DETAINEES RELEASED ON HEALTH GROUNDS

Dogius Koly Théa and Kala Honomou, two men arbitrarily detained in Guinea, have been granted provisional release on health grounds. Authorities continue to conduct investigations into their case.

Dogius Koly Théa, a 28-year-old corporal and father of two, and Kala Honomou, a 47-year-old economist and father of five, were arrested at the Gendarmerie of Nzérékoré in Guinea on 7 May. On 11 May, they were transferred to the PM3 Gendarme Detention Centre in Conakry; far from their relatives, without legal justification and without access to lawyers. They were later allowed access to legal representation. During their first week in the PM3 Gendarme Detention Centre, they were detained in cells used as toilets, where they had to sleep on the floor.

After 41 days in arbitrary detention in Guinea the two men were granted provisional release on account of their ill-health on 17 June. Both men had been experiencing health problems while in detention without being given adequate medical care. They have not been charged, but as a condition of their release they are required to report to the authorities when called upon as investigations into their case continues.

Dogius Koly Théa and Kala Honomou thanked all the activists who campaigned for their release: “You cannot imagine our joy. We appreciate all the work Amnesty International has done to resolve the terrible situation we were in. We thank everyone who took action in our case for their remarkable intervention.”

No further action is requested of the UA Network. Many thanks to all who sent appeals.

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