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Further information on UA 154/01 (AFR 16/034/2001, 20 June 2001) and follow-up (AFR 16/035/2001, 6 July 2001) - Ill-treatment / Fear of torture / "Disappearance"

BURUNDISalvator Ndagijimana [m], aged 14 (note corrected name)  
Celestin Hatungimana [m], aged 20  
Olivier Nsabukungiza [m], aged 25

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The three people named above were transferred to Mpimba Central Prison, Bujumbura on 6 July 2001. They are no longer considered to be at risk of ill-treatment or torture.

All three are however reported to have been ill-treated or tortured following their arrest on 15 June 2001. Initially all were held in military custody before being transferred to a gendarmerie special investigation unit, the *Brigade spéciale de recherche* (BSR) in Bujumbura.

Salvator Ndagijimana has been charged with belonging to an armed opposition group, the *Forces nationales pour la Liberation* (FNL), National Liberation Forces. Celestin Hatungimana and Olivier Nsabukungiza are now reported to have been charged with looting.

No further action is required from the Urgent Action network. Many thanks to all those who took part. Amnesty International will continue to monitor their cases.

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- expressing concern at the reported torture at the *groupement d'intervention* and Camp Muha, Bujumbura of Celestin Hatungimana and Olivier Nsabukungiza, and at reports that Salvator Ndagijimana may have been ill-treated at Ruziba military position, Rural Bujumbura;
- asking for these reports to be investigated, and if confirmed, for those responsible to be brought to justice.

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