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Further information on EXTRA 191/96 (AFR 32/16/96, 9 December 1996) and follow-up (AFR 32/17/96, 16 December and AFR 32/05/97, 7 January 1997) - Health Concern / Prisoners of Conscience

**KENYA Charles Kuria WAMWERE, former political prisoner  
G.G. Njuguna NGENGI, councillor for Molo, farmer**

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On 13 January 1997, prisoners of conscience G G Njuguna Ngengi and Charles Kuria Wamwere were released on bail of 200,000 Kenyan shillings each (approx UK£3,000) pending appeal and with a restriction regarding communication with the press.

The two men are now in hospital receiving treatment. Apparently government doctors agreed with independent medical personnel that the treatment the two men needed could not be obtained in prison.

One of the men's lawyers has said that "Amnesty International's action was very helpful" in obtaining this positive outcome, and thanked AI members for their efforts.

UA Network members may wish to send a further round of letters to the authorities below welcoming the release of the two men, and urging that their release be made unconditional. Many thanks to all who sent appeals on this case.

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