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NIGERIASabina Solayide Iluyomade, aged 54, primary school proprietor and teacher
Folake Folasade Iluyomade, aged 31, her daughter

Sabina Solayide Iluyomade and Folake Folasade Iluyomade were released without charge on 16 June 1997 after five months in detention. They were not questioned about involvement in any offence during their detention or charged. However, since their release they have been required to travel every week from their home in Ibadan to Lagos, a distance of 130 kilometres, to report to the Directorate of Military Intelligence. They were held in harsh conditions while in detention, reportedly sleeping on the bare floor without bedding. Folake Folasade Iluyomade suffered a miscarriage after reportedly being refused medical care for two days. Throughout their detention the women were not allowed visits by family members, lawyers or their own doctors.

Amnesty International believes that they were prisoners of conscience, detained only because they were relatives of a former military officer who had associations with members of the pro-democracy movement.

No further action is requested from the Urgent Action Network. Thank you to all those who sent appeals.