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Further Information on UA 33/06 (AFR 54/002/2006, 13 February 2006) Fear of torture or ill-treatment/ incommunicado detention

SUDAN Alrayah Ibrahim Eldaw (m), staff member of the Sudan Development Organization (SUDO)

Sayed Abu Bakr (m), SUDO volunteer Alfaris Ibrahim (m), SUDO staff member Dawalbeit Kabbur (m), SUDO staff member Osman Ali Ismael (m), SUDO staff member

At 5.30pm on 13 February, the five human rights defenders named above were released without charge by security forces.

Alrayah Ibrahim Eldaw, Alfaris Ibrahim, Dawalbeit Kabbur and Osman Ali Ismael, staff members of nongovernmental organization the Sudan Development Organization (SUDO), and Sayed Abu Bakr, a volunteer for SUDO, had been arrested on the morning of 13 February at Ed Dain University in South Darfur as they conducted a training session on human rights monitoring.

The head of SUDO, Dr Mudawi Ibrahim Adam, thanked Amnesty International for its action on behalf of the five men, saying, "The Governor received the first faxes sent by Amnesty International - very soon thereafter the five were released. They asked me when they were released, "Why were we released so quickly?' The pressure exerted by you has really worked, thanks for your solidarity."

Many thanks to all those who sent appeals and drew attention to this case. No further action is required.