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Further information on UA 122/02 (AFR 62/006/2002, 23 April 2002) - Torture and ill-treatment / cruel, inhuman and degrading conditions of detention

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The four men named above have been released without charge, after appeals by Amnesty International members and local human rights organizations.

The Rwandese Patriotic Army (RPA) and Rassemblement congolais pour la démocratie - Goma (RCD-Goma), Congolese Rally for Democracy, are still using the metal freight containers at Ndosho as a detention centre. Conditions at Ndosho have not improved and still amount to cruel, inhuman and degrading treatment. Relatives of detainees, human rights activists and others are still prevented from entering the site.

In late April the RCD-Goma authorities announced that civilians accused of non-military offences would no longer be detained at Ndosho. A number of detainees were subsequently transferred to a civilian prison. Amnesty International welcomes this commitment and urges the authorities to ensure that it is honoured in future.

No further action is required on these cases. Many thanks to all who sent appeals. Amnesty International is monitoring the cases of other detainees reportedly held at Ndosho.