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## DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC OF CONGO

## Charles Fuamba Mukendi - human rights activist Masengo wa Kabamba (f) - bar owner

Masengo wa Kabamba was released on 4 December 1999. Charles Fuamba Mukendi is still detained.

The two were arrested in late October, in Mbuji-Mayi, the capital of Kasai Oriental province, and detained incommunicado there. Both were transferred to Kinshasa a few days after they were arrested: there they were allowed visitors, after appeals from the Urgent Action network, easing fears that they were at risk of torture.

Amnesty International will continue to work on behalf of Charles Fuamba Mukendi. No further action is required from the Urgent Action network. Many thanks to all who sent appeals.