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Further information on EXTRA 27/98 (ASA 20/03/98, 3 April 1998) -
"Disappearance" / Fear of torture or ill-treatment

INDIA Hidiyat-ul-Rashid, aged 21, student

Hidiyat-ul-Rashid was released on 4 April 1998. Reports indicate that he was tortured while in detention and that he is now receiving medical treatment in a civil hospital in Pulwama, near Srinagar.

Hidiyat-ul-Rashid was arrested at his home in Natipora, Srinagar, Jammu and Kashmir on the night of 29/30 March by members of the 13th Garhwal Regiment of the Indian army located in the area.

The reason for his arrest is not known and no charges are believed to have been filed against him.

Thank you very much to all who sent appeals on Hidiyat-ul-Rashid's behalf. No further action by the UA network is requested. Amnesty International will follow up this incident with the authorities.