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Further information on UA 03/96 (ASA 21/02/96, 5 January 1996) - Arbitrary detention

INDONESIARoliati Harefa (f), labour activist

Labour activist Roliati Harefa, arrested on 30 December 1995, was released on 27 January 1996. It appears that her release is conditional and that a police investigation into her case continues and she remains at risk of detention in the future. Amnesty International is seeking clarification of the circumstances and conditions of her release.

FURTHER RECOMMENDED ACTION: Please send telegrams/express/airmail letters in English or Bahasa Indonesia or in your own language:

- welcoming the release of Roliati Harefa, held without charge for almost a month;
- calling for her release to be unconditional, unless she is to be promptly charged with a recognizably criminal offence;
- expressing concern that trade unionists continue to be subjected to arrest and intimidation for their non-violent activities;
- urging the authorities to ensure that those engaging in peaceful labour activities be free to do so without fear of arbitrary detention.

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