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**Further information on Extra 19/98 (ASA 21/18/98, 4 March 1998) and follow-up (ASA 21/39/98, 23 April 1998) - Possible arbitrary arrest/Fear of torture or ill-treatment**

**EAST TIMOR Rui Campus, 20**

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Amnesty International remains concerned for the safety of Rui Campus, who is still in custody.

It was earlier reported that Rui Campus had been arrested in late January 1998. It now appears that he was arrested from his home on 6 March along with two other people who were subsequently released. Rui was originally detained at the Headquarters of the Special Forces Command (*Kopassus*) in the town of Baucau. A few weeks later he was moved to police custody in Los Palos and is now believed to be detained in Baucau Detention Centre facing the possibility of trial.

The precise charge against Rui Campus is not clear although he is being accused of links with the East Timorese resistance. The original reason for his arrest however was a dispute in his village in Asalainu, Los Palos.

Amnesty International is concerned that Rui Campus has had no access to independent lawyers during his time in custody and has not been served with an arrest warrant or detention order.

In response to appeals on behalf of Rui Campus, the Indonesian authorities have stated that the security forces "*..maintained that they never arrested or detained a gentleman named Rui Campus, and they firmly state that there is no arrest of a person named Rui Campus*".

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

- urging the authorities to provide information about the exact charges against Rui Campus, or if he is not to be charged with a recognisably criminal offence, that he be released;
- requesting the authorities to provide information concerning his whereabouts;
- seeking assurances that he will not be subjected to torture or ill-treatment while in detention;
- urging that he have immediate and on-going access to human rights lawyers.

**APPEALS TO:**

**MILITARY COMMANDER REGION IX/UDAYANA**

**(covers Bali, Lombok, Nusa Tenggara and East Timor)**

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and to diplomatic representatives of Indonesia accredited to your country.

**PLEASE SEND APPEALS IMMEDIATELY.** Check with the International Secretariat, or your section office, if sending appeals after 17 August 1998.