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MALAYSIAMohamad Ezam Mohamad Nor

Opposition activist Mohamad Ezam Mohamad Nor was released on bail on 13 March.

He has been charged with sedition, which is punishable by up to three years in prison. His trial is due to start on 6 August 2001.

Mohamad Ezam Mohamad Nor was arrested on 5 March under the Sedition Act. On 10 March a Kuala Lumpur court granted a police application to hold him for a further four days.

No further action is required by the Urgent Action network. Many thanks to all who sent appeals.