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TURKEY:Mahmut Do_an, reporter for Özgür Gündem (Free Agenda)

Mahmut Do_an was detained from the street with Abdullah Koç, a representative of the Diyarbakır branch of the Human Rights Association, and a local government official. They were held blindfold for six days in Bingöl Police Headquarters until they were released without charge by a prosecutor. Amnesty International has not received detailed information about how Mahmut Do_an was treated while in police custody, although another detainee noticed that he had bruises about the eyes when he was released. Abdullah Koç reported that he himself was not subjected to torture.

No further appeals are required from the Urgent Action Network. Many thanks to all who participated in the action.