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TURKEY: Faysal Da_l_, from Diyarbak_r
 Cengiz Altun, from Batman
 Baki Karadeniz

Faysal Da_l_, Cengiz Altun and Baki Karadeniz, all journalists for the newspaper Yeni Ülke (New Land), were detained following disturbances during the funeral service for murdered politician and human rights activist Vedat Ayd_n on 10 July 1991. Cengiz Altun, the Batman correspondent, was reportedly detained for having photographed the shopkeepers' boycott in the town of Nusaybin in protest at Vedat Ayd_n's killing. He was released on or around 20 July 1991. Baki Karadeniz's arm was broken in two places during the disturbances, and he was detained when he attended hospital for treatment. He was released three days later. Faysal Da_l_ was detained for five days before being brought before the State Security Court on 16 July 1991 and later released.

No further action is required on their behalf. Thanks to all those who participated in this action.