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Further information on UA 442/90 (EUR 44/160/90, 1 November) - Fear of Torture

TURKEY:       Kemal Yazar  
              Hasan Açı̇n  
              Haydar Güler  
              R\_za Yavuz  
              Mustafa Peköz  
              Dursun Armutlu  
              Kemal Çal  
+ new name: Kasim Durmu\_

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Kemal Yazar, Hasan Açı̇n, R\_za Yavuz, Dursun Armutlu and Kasim Durmu\_ have been charged with "membership of an armed gang" and are to be tried in State Security Court No 1. It is reported that they were tortured while in detention, and that medical reports certify injuries consistent with the torture allegations.

Kemal Çal was conditionally released, while Mustafa Peköz was committed to prison in respect of outstanding court cases against him. It is believed that Haydar Güler has also been released.

All the above had been detained following a demonstration in Istanbul on 27 October; reports indicated that some of the detainees had been injured, possibly during armed clashes with the police. No further details are available as to the medical condition of the detainees.

No further action is required, until and unless more detailed information becomes available. Thank you to all who sent appeals.