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Further Information on UA 227/02 (MDE 12/025/2002, 23 July 2002) and follow-up (MDE 12/029/2002, 10 September 2002) - Fear of torture or ill-treatment

EGYPT Sayida Muhammad Gad al-Rab (f), aged 28

Amnesty International has learned that Sayida Muhammad Gad al-Rab was released on 20 March 2003 after eight months of detention. She was issued a release order by the State Security Prosecution Office on 8 March. Amnesty International has so far received no information about her treatment in detention.

Many thanks to all who took action for Sayida Muhammad Gad al-Rab. If possible, please send a final round of appeals, in Arabic, English or your own language:

- welcoming the release of Sayida Muhammad Gad al-Rab;
- reiterating concerns regarding the incommunicado detention of Sayida Muhammad Gad al-Rab in July and August 2002;
- calling on the authorities to take necessary measures to prevent the ongoing practice of incommunicado detention, where detainees face a heightened risk of torture or ill-treatment.

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