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Further information (2) on UA 295/96 (MDE 16/14/96, 18 December 1996) and follow-up (MDE 16/03/97, 9 April 1997) - Death penalty

JORDAN Amira Salem (f), aged 25
Eidah Hussein (f), aged 25

Amira Salem and Eidah Hussein were executed by hanging at dawn on 26 June 1997. The two women were sentenced to death by the Criminal Court after killing Amira Salem's husband, who physically abused her on a regular basis. This brings the number of executions in Jordan in 1997 to eight.

FURTHER RECOMMENDED ACTION: Please send telegrams/telexes/faxes/express/airmail letters in Arabic, English or in your own language:

- expressing regret at the execution of Amira Salem and Eidah Hussein;
- continuing to urge an immediate end to executions in Jordan and appealing to the Jordanian government to work towards the total abolition of the death penalty by the 50th anniversary of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights in 1998.

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and to diplomatic representatives of Jordan accredited to your country.

PLEASE SEND APPEALS IMMEDIATELY. Check with the International Secretariat, or your section office, if sending appeals after 5 August 1997.