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Further information on UA 205/97 (MDE 21/03/97, 10 July 1997) and follow-ups (MDE 21/04/97, 25 July 1997 and MDE 21/05/97, 5 August 1997) - Prisoner of Conscience / Legal concern

PALESTINIAN AUTHORITYFathi Subuh, 43, lecturer in education

Fathi Subuh has been moved to Gaza Central Prison (al-Saraya) and continues to be detained without charge or trial, and without access to his lawyer. He ended his hunger strike after being moved to al-Saraya, but he told his wife, who saw him on 12 and 23 August, that he would start again if there was no change in his situation. At present, he is in good health.

PLEASE CONTINUE ACTION, by sending telegrams/telexes/faxes/express/ airmail letters in English, Arabic or in your own language:

- stating that you consider Fathi Subuh to be a prisoner of conscience, detained solely for his alleged critical attitude towards the Palestinian Authority; noting that Fathi Subuh has now been held illegally for almost two months, without charge or trial;
- requesting that he be granted immediate access to a lawyer of his choice;
- calling for his immediate and unconditional release.

APPEALS TO:

President Yasser Arafat Palestinian Authority Al-Muntada

Gaza, Palestinian Authority

Faxes: +972-7-822365 (ask to send a fax)

Telegrams: President Arafat, Palestinian Authority, Gaza

Salutation: Dear President Arafat

Colonel Muhammad Dahlan Head of Preventive Security Gaza, Palestinian Authority

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Salutation: Dear Colonel Dahlan

COPIES TO:

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and to diplomatic representatives of the Palestinian Authority accredited to your country.

PLEASE SEND APPEALS IMMEDIATELY. Check with the International Secretariat, or your section office, if sending appeals after 9 October 1997.