

CENTRAL AMERICA SPECIAL ACTION (CASA)

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Follow Up to CASA 18/82 (AMR 29/24/82 of 18 April 1982)

Manuel TERRERO SANCHEZ (note correct spelling)
Julio TALAVERA
Antonio MORALES CARBONELL
Héctor Bernabé RECINOS

Amnesty International has received reports that Antonio Morales Carbonell has been released and has now left El Salvador.

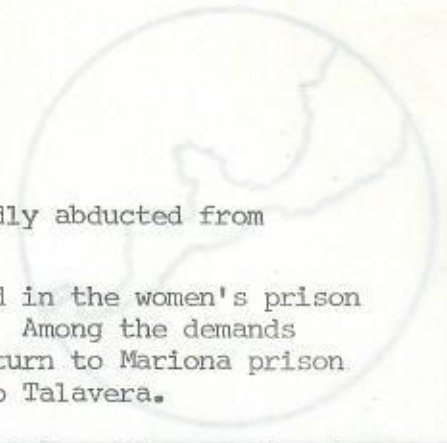
Please stop all action on his behalf.

Amnesty International has also received further information on Manuel TERRERO SANCHEZ:

7 October 1981	Arrested on 7 October 1981 in Las Vueltas, department of Chalatenango by uniformed members of the security forces. He was kicked, beaten and hung by the neck from a beam until nearly strangled. He was then transferred to the central barracks of the Treasury Police (<u>Policía de Hacienda</u>) in San Salvador where he was beaten, kicked, given electric shocks all over his body and suffered other tortures.
14 October	Presented to journalists.
15 October	Transferred to the cells of the Treasury Police headquarters in San Salvador.
21 October	Presented on Salvadorian television.
27 October	Transferred to Mariona prison.
Mid-November	Taken back to the Treasury Police headquarters in San Salvador where he was tortured and threatened with death if he did not "collaborate". He was then returned to Mariona prison. A few days later, members of the Treasury Police returned and tried to take him away again, but other prisoners intervened to prevent his abduction.
27 November	25 to 30 members of the Treasury Police raided Mariona prison, beat the political prisoners and abducted Manuel Terrero. Since that date, he has not been seen again. According to a statement reported to have been made by a member of the Treasury Police, he is being "held with the Costa Rican pilot Talavera". This may refer to Julio

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Talavera, another prisoner reportedly abducted from Mariona prison.

23 March 1982

400 prisoners in Mariona prison and in the women's prison at Ilopango went on hunger-strike. Among the demands of the hunger-strikers were the return to Mariona prison of Manuel Terrero Sánchez and Julio Talavera.

Recommended Action:

Please continue appeals asking for information on the whereabouts of Manuel Terrero Sánchez and Julio Talavera and requesting guarantees for their safety, and asking for information on the physical state of Héctor Bernabé Recinos and calling for adequate health care for him.

Appeals to:

Alvaro Magaña
Presidente de la Junta de El Salvador
Casa Presidencial
San Salvador, EL SALVADOR

(new president of the junta)

