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CASA 21/81 Extrajudicial killing of trade unionist

Victor Manuel SALGUERO

AI has received reports of the killing on 31 May 1981 of trade unionist Victor Manuel Salguero, organizing secretary of the trade union at the Eureka factory (Asbestos manufacturers), as he was attending a mass being celebrated in the parish church of Soyapango. He was forcibly removed from the church by members of the security forces, and as he resisted being forced into a vehicle, his six captors who were armed with G-3 rifles, shot him on the spot in the church courtyard, according to these reports.

Recommended Action

Telegrams/express letters/letters protesting at the murder, and requesting the authorities to make enquiries into the killing.

appeals to:

Ing. José Napoleon Duarte (President)
Presidente de la Junta de El Salvador
Casa Presidencial, San Salvador, EL SALVADOR

Dr Julio Alfredo Samayoa Ministro de Trabajo Ministerio de Trabajo, 2 Avenida Morte, San Salvador, EL SALVADOR

Trade unionists, particularly of the same or related industries could also be asked to send similar appeals. Copies of these letters should be sent to the factory where Salguero led the union:

Eureka Industria Asbesto Cemento S.A. Boulevard del Ejercito Nacional y Calle La Charcra, San Salvador, EL SALVADOR

Please send copies of your appeals to the Salvadorian diplomatic representatives in your country.