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Further information on UA 205/82 (AMR 29/79/82 31 August) - "Disappearance

EL SALVADOR: Salvador Galileo MARTINEZ FLORES
Roberto Antonio ANTILLON NUNEZ
Joaquín Roberto MENDEZ MOLINO
Guillermo PADILLA

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Salvador Galileo Martínez Flores, Roberto Antonio Antillón Nuñez, Joaquín Roberto Méndez Molino and Guillermo Padilla, all professors at the National University were abducted by agents of the Treasury Police (*policía de hacienda*) on 19 August 1982. Sr. Martínez Flores and Sr. Méndez Molino are both professors of chemistry; Sr. Antillon Nunez is a professor of physics.

The most recent information received by Amnesty International indicates that several other staff of the National University were abducted at the same time:

Francisco Américo MEJIAS LOPEZ, professor of physics
Ana Elsy RIVERA IRULA, secretary at the university
Santos Amadeo VASQUEZ, worker at the university
Mauricio Ernesto MARTINEZ RIVAS, worker at the university
Oscar Romero CIENFUEGOS BANOS, worker at the university

According to reports, all these people were abducted in Pasaje Contreras, San Salvador, on 19 August 1982, while carrying out activities relating to their professions and work at the National University.

The present whereabouts of these people are unknown and fears for their safety continue.

Further recommended action:

Please send a further letter on behalf of these people requesting clarification of their whereabouts and legal situation and asking for assurances of their well-being. Urge that, unless charged and brought before a court, they be immediately released.

Appeals should be sent to:

Sr. Alvaro Magaña Borja
Presidente de la República
Casa Presidencial
San Salvador, El Salvador
(President)

Coronel Francisco Morán
Jefe de la Policía de Hacienda
Calle Concepción
San Salvador, El Salvador
(Head of Treasury Police)

Check with the International Secretariat if sending appeals after

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