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EL SALVADOR: Professor Carlos MOLINA
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Amnesty International has received reports that the arrest of Professor Carlos Molina on 20 October 1982 has been acknowledged by the Salvadorian authorities. However, it is not yet known where he is being held. Professor Molina is reported to have been charged with conspiracy and sabotage against the state under Decree Law 507, and is currently being held under investigation, before being brought before a military tribunal.

Professor Carlos Molina is Head of the School of Economics at the National University of El Salvador and is also a professor at the Jesuit university Universidad Centroamericana "José Simeon Cañas". He is also a member of the *Movimiento Independiente de Profesionales y Técnicos Salvadoreños* (MITPES), the Independent Movement of Salvadorian Professionals and Technicians. The MITPES is a member of the coalition of opposition parties, the *Frente Democrático Revolucionario* (FDR), Democratic Revolutionary Front.

Further recommended action:

Letters should continue on behalf of Professor Carlos Molina.

Letters should:

- ask for details of Professor Molina's place of detention, and the charges against him
- urge that he be given a fair trial in accordance with internationally recognised legal standards
- request assurances that he is being humanely treated in detention

Appeals should be sent to:

Sr. Roberto D'Aubuisson
Presidente de la Asamblea Constituyente
San Salvador, El Salvador

(President of Constituent Assembly)

General José Guillermo García
Ministro de Defensa y Seguridad
Pública
Ministerio de Defensa y Seguridad
Pública
Casa Presidencial
San Salvador, El Salvador

(Minister of Defence)

Copies may be sent to:

Dr Arturo Méndez Azahar
Ministro de Justicia
Ministerio de Justicia
San Salvador, El Salvador

(Minister of Justice)

Check with the International Secretariat if sending appeals after
2 December 1982.

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