

## CENTRAL AMERICA SPECIAL ACTION (CASA)



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Further information on CASA 53/82 - 7 Arrests

Amnesty International has received further information concerning the seven people reported to have been arrested by the Honduran anti-terrorist squad, COBRA, in August 1982:

- Arquimedes Antonio CANADA RODRIGUEZ (also known as Alejandro MONTENEGRO), aged 27, Salvadorian, a prominent leader of the opposition in El Salvador. He was detained on the terrace of the Don Pepe Restaurant in Tegucigalpa by COBRA on 22 August and subsequently taken to the headquarters of the Fuerzas de Seguridad Pública (FUSEP), Public Security Forces.
- 2. César (or Antonio) Amilcar GONZALEZ, aged 22, Salvadorian, detained together with the above.
- José Antonio CACERES GALINDO, aged 27, Honduran, detained by COBRA in a house in Colonia San Francisco, Tegucigalpa, at 10.30 a,m. on 22 August.
- Gisella (or Isla) REYES, aged 25, Salvadorian, detained together with Cáceres.
- Grecia Lidice ARMIJO REYES, aged 5, Salvadorian, daughter of Gisella Reyes, detained at same time as her mother.
- Teresa de Jesús SERRANO, aged 44, Salvadorian, detained together with Cáceres.
- Roberto Armando CRUZ SERRANO, age unknown, Salvadorian, son of Teresa de Jesús Serrano, detained together with his mother.

There is no further news of the whereabouts of any of the seven people referred to above, although it is still feared that the six Salvadorian citizens may have been deported to El Salvador and handed over to the security forces there.

Please continue appeals as previously instructed, directing them both to the Honduran and Salvadorian authorities, except in the case of José Antonio Cáceres Galindo, for whom appeals should be directed only to the Honduran authorities.