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and infliction of death penalties and torture or other cruel, inhuman
degrading treatment or punishment of prisoners or other detained or
restricted persons whether or not they have used or advocated violence.
(Amnesty International Statute, Article 1(c))*

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Further information on UA 209/81 (AMR 37/19/81 25 August) - "Disappearance"

HONDURAS: Salvadorian, Argentinian and Venezuelan refugees
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Between 3 and 10 August 1981 several refugees from El Salvador, Argentina
and Venezuela were arrested in Tegucigalpa or San Pedro Sula:

Salvadorians: Yamira Villalta and her two children, Antonio and Marisol
José Eduardo Gonzalez
Rafael Torres Rodriguez
Jorge Enriquez Jimenez Argueta
Lizbeth Carminda Castro Sanchez
Flavio Narcisco Lopez Ayala

Argentinian: Jorge Manuel Morales

Venezuelan: Eduardo Garcia

Amnesty International recently received reports that the two children,
Antonio and Marisol Ramirez Villalta, were handed over after being detained
for five days and were placed with a Honduran family.

There has, however, been no news of any of the adults and concern
for their well-being continues. Their arrests have not been acknowledged
by the Honduran authorities and their whereabouts are unknown.

Further recommended action:

Please continue to send appeals to the Honduran authorities expressing
concern about these refugees who were detained in August 1981. Urge that
their whereabouts be made known and that they be immediately released unless
charged and brought before a court. Please also request assurances of their
well-being.

Letters should be sent to:

Gustavo Adolfo Alvarez Martinez
Coronel de Infantería DEM
Comandante de las Fuerzas de Seguridad Pública (FUSEP)
Tegucigalpa, Honduras

Tnte. Coronel Manuel Lopez Grijalva
Director Nacional
Departamento Nacional de Investigación
Tegucigalpa, Honduras

Appeals may continue until 31 December 1981.