

12 August 1999

Further information on EXTRA 99/99 (AFR 54/14/99, 2 August 1999) - Fear of ill-treatment / Fear of extradition / Fear of "disappearance" and extrajudicial execution

CHAD	Souleymane Garfa] all members of a Chadian armed opposition
	Ahmadaï Sabre] group, the <i>Alliance nationale pour la</i>
	Sileck Sagga] <i>Résistance</i> (ANR), National Alliance for
		<i>Resistance</i>

Souleymane Garfa, Ahmadaï Sabre and Sileck Sagga were deported to Chad from Sudan on or around 3 August 1999. They were reportedly taken to a military camp in Adre, some 30km from the Sudanese border.

Sileck Sagga is reported to have escaped and is no longer believed to be in detention. Souleymane Garfa and Ahmadaï Sabre are believed to be in the custody of the Commander of the 2nd military region in Adre. Although there are no reports that they have been physically ill-treated, they have reportedly been threatened and Amnesty International remains concerned for their safety.

Amnesty International is concerned that the men were deported despite clear evidence that they could face serious human rights violations, including "disappearance" or extrajudicial execution, if they were returned to Chad. They were arrested on or around 27 July 1999 in El Jenenah, Sudan.

FURTHER RECOMMENDED ACTION: Please send telegrams/telexes/faxes/express/airmail letters in French or Arabic for Chad, English or Arabic for Sudan, or in your own language:

To the Sudanese authorities:

- expressing concern that Souleymane Garfa, Ahmadaï Sabre and Sileck Sagga were deported to Chad from Sudan on or around 3 August 1999, despite the risk that they faced "disappearance" or extrajudicial execution in Chad;
- reminding the Sudanese authorities of their obligations not to return people to countries where they may face serious human rights violations, and calling on the authorities to take steps to prevent further such deportations.

To the Chadian authorities :

- saying that Amnesty International is concerned for the safety of Souleymane Garfa and Ahmadaï Sabre, both reported to be held at Adre military camp;
- asking the authorities to take immediate steps to ensure the physical safety of the detainees, and to protect them from intimidation;
- seeking clarification of the reasons for the arrest and continued detention of the two men, and asking that if they are to remain in detention, the men be transferred to recognized places of detention and that they be granted access to legal counsel, medical care and their families.

APPEALS TO:

Chad:

President

President Idriss Déby
Président de la République
Présidence de la République
BP 74, N'DJAMENA, Chad

Salutation: Monsieur le Président / Dear President

Faxes: + 235 52 45 01 / 52 46 53

E-mails: presidency@tchad.td

Telegram: President, Presidency, Chad

Minister of National Defence and Reintegration

Monsieur Oumar KADJALAMI
Ministre de la Défense nationale et de la Réinsertion
Ministère de la Défense nationale
N'DJAMENA, Chad

Salutation: Monsieur le Ministre/Dear Minister

Telegrams: Ministere defense, N'Djamena, Chad

Army Chief of Staff

Colonel Routouang Yoma GOLOM
Chef d'Etat-major Général
Armée nationale tchadienne
N'DJAMENA, Chad.

Salutation: Monsieur le Chef d'Etat major général/Dear Army Chief of Staff

Telegram: Chef d'etat major, N'DJAMENA, CHAD

Sudan:

Minister of Foreign Affairs

Mr Mustafa Osman Ismail
Minister of Foreign Affairs
Ministry of Foreign Affairs
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Khartoum, Sudan

Telegrams: Foreign Minister, Khartoum, Sudan

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Salutation: Dear Minister

COPIES TO:

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Advisory Council for Human Rights
PO Box 302
Khartoum, Sudan

Minister of Justice and Keeper of Seals

Monsieur Limane MAHAMAT, Ministre de la Justice et Garde des Sceaux,
Ministère de la Justice
N'DJAMENA, Chad

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and to diplomatic representatives of Chad and Sudan accredited to your country.

PLEASE SEND APPEALS IMMEDIATELY. Check with the International Secretariat, or your section office, if sending appeals after 9 September 1999.