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Please bring this action to the attention of the person in your section responsible for outreach work as it is felt that appeals from church organizations may be particularly effective.

Further information on UA 141/92 (AFR 36/16/92, 6 May 1992) - Legal concern

MALAWI: Reverend Aaron LONGWE, presbyterian church minister
Chiyenda MKANDAWIRE, presbyterian church elder

and new name: Gift KAUNDA, presbyterian church elder

Amnesty International has learned of the release of Reverend Aaron Longwe, the presbyterian minister arrested on 29 or 30 April 1992. He was released without charge on 8 May 1992. Chiyenda Mkandawire, the church elder arrested with him is believed still to be detained. Amnesty International has also learned of another church elder, Gift Kaunda, who is also reportedly detained.

FURTHER RECOMMENDED ACTION: Please send telegrams/telexes/faxes/airmail letters:

- welcoming the release without charge of Aaron Longwe;
- requesting information about the legal basis for the detention of Chiyenda Mkandawire and Gift Kaunda;
- calling for Chiyenda Mkandawire and Gift Kaunda to be released if they are not to be charged with a recognizably criminal offence and brought promptly and fairly to trial.

APPEALS TO:

1) H E The Life-President Ngwazi Dr H. Kamuzu Banda
Office of the President and Cabinet
P/Bag 301
Lilongwe 3
Malawi

Telegrams: Life-President Banda Lilongwe, Malawi
Telexes: 44389 PRES MI; 44766 JUSTICE MI;
44113 EXTERNAL MI
Faxes: + 265 731878

Salutation: Your Excellency

2) Hon. J Z U Tembo
Minister of State in the Office of the President
P/Bag 301
Lilongwe 3
Malawi
Telegrams: Minister of State Tembo, Lilongwe, Malawi

Salutation: Dear Minister

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3) Mr MacWilliam Lunguzi
Inspector-General of Police
P/Bag 305
Lilongwe 3
Malawi
**Telegrams: Inspector-General of Police Lunguzi,
Lilongwe, Malawi**

Salutation: Dear Sir

COPIES OF YOUR APPEALS TO:

The General Secretary
Church of Central Africa (Presbyterian)
Livingstonia Synod
PO Box 112
Mzuzu
Malawi

and to diplomatic representatives of MALAWI in your country.

PLEASE SEND APPEALS IMMEDIATELY. Check with the International Secretariat,
or your section office, if sending appeals after 23 June 1992.