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**Further information on EXTRA 157/99 (EUR 23/06/99, 10 November 1999) - Fear of forcible repatriation / Fear of torture**

**GERMANY** **Fathelrahman Abdallah, Sudanese national**

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On 12 November 1999, Fathelrahman Abdallah, the Sudanese national who was detained in Nuremberg awaiting deportation, was temporarily released. Amnesty International remains concerned, however, that the authorities will try to deport him again as soon as his leave to remain expires on 22 November. He has been told to report to the authorities on 19 November.

His most recent deportation was halted when his lawyers contested the decision in court. The court, faced with contradictory medical evidence submitted by his lawyers and by the authorities, was unable to make a decision for or against deportation.

Amnesty International is concerned that if he is returned to Sudan, he would be at risk of serious human rights violations, including arbitrary imprisonment and torture.

**FURTHER RECOMMENDED ACTION: Please send telegrams/faxes and E-mails in English, German or your own language:**

- urging the German authorities to respect their international obligations under the principle of *non-refoulement*, and not forcibly return Fathelrahman Abdallah to Sudan where he would be at risk of severe human rights violations.

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**PLEASE SEND APPEALS IMMEDIATELY.**