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Further information on EXTRA 132/96 (EUR 57/13/96, 16 August 1996) - Fear of imminent execution

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In a statement given at a conference on the death penalty held in Kazakstan in January 1997, Mikhail Baranov, deputy head of the Presidential Clemency Commission, reported that Azer Bashirov's death sentence was commuted at the end of 1996. According to official statements, eight death sentences were commuted to terms of imprisonment in 1996.

Many thanks to all those who sent appeals on Azer Bashirov's behalf. No further action is requested.