

Amnesty International URGENT ACTIONS - October 21 to October 28, 2016

21 October

Country: Iran

<http://www.amnestyusa.org/get-involved/take-action-now/more-action-needed-spiritual-teacher-s-fate-and-whereabouts-unknown-iran-ua-21214>

MOHAMMAD ALI TAHERI'S WHEREABOUTS UNKNOWN

Iranian spiritual teacher Mohammad Ali Taheri, who started a hunger strike on 28 September, has been held incommunicado since 16 October. The authorities are refusing to provide his family with any information about his fate and whereabouts.

Name: Mohammad Ali Taheri

Gender m/f: m

Country: Pakistan

<http://www.amnestyusa.org/get-involved/take-action-now/more-action-needed-stop-execution-of-man-with-mental-disability-pakistan-ua-22216>

STOP EXECUTION OF MAN WITH MENTAL DISABILITY

Imdad Ali, a death row prisoner with a mental disability, is at imminent risk of execution. Pakistan's Supreme Court rejected on 20 October his latest appeal to halt the execution on the ground that he has paranoid schizophrenia. As a result another execution warrant might be issued imminently.

Name: Imdad Ali

Gender m/f: m

25 October

Country: China

<http://www.amnestyusa.org/get-involved/take-action-now/take-action-halt-imminent-execution-of-man-harshly-sentenced>

HARSH SENTENCING PUTS MAN AT RISK OF IMMINENT EXECUTION

The Supreme People's Court approved a death sentence which could result in the execution of Jia Jinglong at any time. According to lawyers, mitigating factors of his case were not taken into account during sentencing.

Names: Jia Jinglong

Gender m/f: m

Country: Saudi Arabia

<https://www.amnestyusa.org/get-involved/take-action-now/take-action-release-human-rights-defender-on-hunger-strike-saudi-arabia-ua-24416>

DETAINED HUMAN RIGHTS DEFENDER ON HUNGER STRIKE

Human rights defender Khaled al-Omair has been on hunger strike since 6 October in protest at his continuing detention. He was due to be released on 5 October after completing his eight-year prison sentence. He is a prisoner of conscience.

Name: Khaled al-Omair

Gender m/f: m

26 October

Country: Egypt

<http://www.amnestyusa.org/get-involved/take-action-now/prisoner-of-conscience-at-risk-of-death-penalty-egypt-ua-24314>

SHAWKAN'S TRIAL ADJOURNED UNTIL 1 NOVEMBER

A Cairo court adjourned to 1 November the trial of photojournalist Mahmoud Abu Zeid, popularly known as Shawkan. He is a prisoner of conscience facing nine trumped-up charges and is at risk of the death penalty, if convicted.

Names: Mahmoud Abu Zeid (Shawkan)

Gender m/f: m

Country: Venezuela

<http://www.amnestyusa.org/get-involved/take-action-now/take-action-four-young-men-arrested-after-publishing-video-venezuela-ua-24216>

YOUNG PEOPLE ARRESTED AFTER PUBLISHING VIDEO

Andrés Moreno Febres-Cordero, Marco Trejo, James Mathison and César Cuellar were arrested at the end of September for producing a video for the opposition party Primero Justicia. They are worryingly being tried for peacefully exercising their right to freedom of expression.

Name: Marco Trejo, James Mathison, César Cuellar and Andrés Moreno Febres-Cordero

Gender m/f: m

27 October

Country: Azerbaijan

<http://www.amnestyusa.org/get-involved/take-action-now/more-action-needed-prisoner-of-conscience-sentenced-to-10-years-in-prison-azerbaijan-ua-11416>

PRISONER OF CONSCIENCE SENTENCED TO 10 YEARS

Activist and prisoner of conscience Giyas Ibrahimov was sentenced to 10 years in prison on 25 November. The court hearing in the case of his fellow activist, prisoner of conscience Bayram Mammadov, is ongoing. He is facing up to 12 years in prison.

Name: Bayram Mammadov and Giyas Ibrahimov

Gender m/f: m

Country: Russian Federation

<http://www.amnestyusa.org/get-involved/take-action-now/sentences-of-two-ukrainian-men-upheld-after-unfair-trial-russian-federation-ua-15716>

APPEAL OF TWO UKRAINIAN MEN REJECTED

On 26 October the Russian Supreme Court upheld the conviction of Stanislav Klykh and Mykola Karpyuk who had been sentenced after an unfair trial to 20 and 22 years respectively for allegedly killing Russian soldiers in Chechnya in 1994 – 1996.

Name: Stanislav Klykh and Mykola Karpyuk

Gender m/f: m