



DOING YOUR
MIGHT
CLOTHES
YOU A
HESITATE
TO COME
ANYTHING.

THEY MIGHT CAPTURE YOU ANY TIME
WHEN YOU'RE AT WORK, SLEEPING,
WALKING DOWN THE STREET,
GROCERIES, DAY OR NIGHT. THEY
WEAR MILITARY OR CIVILIAN
WHILE TAKING YOU AWAY, NOT GIVING
REASON OR WARRANT. THEY DO NOT
TO USE VIOLENCE AS THEY FORCE YOU
ALONG. THE OFFICIALS DENY KNOWING
IT IS AS IF YOU CEASED TO EXIST...

AUGUST 30 2008: GLOBAL ACTION AGAINST ENFORCED DISAPPEARANCES

August 30th 2008 marks the 25th anniversary of the International Day of the Disappeared. Join in with the International Coalition against Enforced Disappearances (ICAED) and **take action to fight** this serious violation of human rights! Help make the new UN Convention against disappearances a reality.

An enforced disappearance of a person is a grave human rights violation that has bedevilled tens of thousands of persons and their families. It creates an abundance of victims still today. To combat this heinous practice, the International Convention for the Protection of All Persons from Enforced Disappearances was adopted by the UN General Assembly on December 20 in 2006. The Convention serves as a crucial opportunity to eradicate disappearances and to bring down related human rights violations.

On August 30 in 2008 different events are organised by the families of victims all over the world to commemorate the disappeared. On this day, the ICAED calls on governments to sign and ratify the Convention. We will also send an appeal letter signed by renowned personalities to all heads of States, together with a photo publication bearing witness to the emotional effects of disappearances **Help us stop disappearances**. Visit our website and join the campaign on www.icaed.org, or contact the focal point of the ICAED on d.hardy@aimforhumanrights.org.

Aim for human rights - Netherlands, Amnesty International, Asian Federation Against Involuntary Disappearances (AFAD), Civil Initiative We Remember Foundation - Belarus, Collectif des Familles de Disparus en Algérie (CFDA) - Algeria, Euro-Med Federation Against Enforced Disappearances (FEMED), Fédération Internationale des Droits de l'Homme (FIDH), Fédération Internationale de l'ACAT (FIACAT), Federación Latinoamericana de Asociaciones de Familiares de Detenidos-Desaparecidos (FEDEFAM), Human Rights Watch (HRW), International Commission of Jurists (ICJ), Russian Justice Initiative - Russia, Liga Guatemalteca de Higiene Mental - Guatemala, TRIAL (Track Impunity Always - association suisse contre l'impunité) - Switzerland, Breaking the Walls of Silence - Namibia, AFAPREDESA - Western Sahara, Asociación Derechos Humanos Económicos, Sociales y Culturales en Guatemala (DESCGUA) - Guatemala, Disarmament and Non-Violence - Georgia, Lawyers for Human Rights - South Africa, National Society for Human Rights (NSHR) - Namibia, Colegio de Abogados - Peru, Association of Family Members of Disappeared - Sri Lanka, Asociación Pro-Búsqueda de Niñas y Niños Desaparecidos de El Salvador - El Salvador, Coordinadora Nacional de Derechos Humanos - Peru, Asociación de Detenidos-Desaparecidos, Ejecuciones Extrajudiciales y Torturados de Huancayo-Junin-Peru - Peru, Families of Victims of Involuntary Disappearance (FIND) - Philippines, Organisation Marocaine Des Droits HUMAINS - Morocco, Al-Ata'a for Human Rights Support - Iraq



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AGAINST ENFORCED DISAPPEARANCES

DISAPPEARANCES NO, CONVENTION NOW!