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### REPORT OF THE WORKING GROUP ON ARBITRARY DETENTION

#### Addendum

#### VISIT TO THE ISLAMIC REPUBLIC OF IRAN

(15-27 February 2003)

#### Corrigendum

Replace paragraph 17 by the following:

17. In practice, most of the individuals visited by the Working Group were prosecuted and sentenced during the seven-year period in which the prosecution service was suspended. Proceedings were initiated by the judge, who then conducted the investigation and, lastly, delivered judgement himself. As both prosecutor and examining magistrate, he was assisted by the "law enforcement services or Pasdaran, and, where appropriate, other armed forces, subject to authorization by the National Security Council" (Code of Criminal Procedure, art. 15). Prosecutors were ultimately reinstated at the end of 2002, a development welcomed by the Working Group.

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