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Statement 72 (5/00) (translation)

(To be read as a continuation of Statement 69 issued on 12 May 2000)

After making five legal and reasonable demands, the hunger strike was staged as a protest against the unfair practices of the military dictators.

The MPs who have gone on hunger strike had been illegally taken away and kept in military camps since the 6 September 1998.

Five members of parliament who were previously performing their legitimate duties have by force been removed from the original holding centers to an unknown center by the military dictators who illegally seized state power.

We vehemently denounce the military authorities for keeping innocent law abiding citizens as captives and give them serious notice that we will hold them accountable for any consequences to the health and lives of their victims.

Central Executive Committee
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