

International Campaign against the Dictatorship in Togo and other African Countries

To the public

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Press release

- Mecklenburg-Vorpommern has temporarily stopped deportations

- Adzrakou Komi Anani was released from arrest

- Alassane Moussbaou is still in danger

- protests one year after General Eyadema's death

Growing protests against deportations to Togo have caused the SPD party in Mecklenburg-Vorpommern to temporarily put an end to deportations to Togo on February 6, 2006. The officials announced that they would wait for the Foreign Office's new report on the state in Togo. It is not yet clear how long this will take.

As a result of this decision, Mister Adzrakou Komi Anani and another Togolese refugee were released from arrest. According to immigration officials Mister Adzrakou was given "Duldung" for two months. Having been in hunger strike for 22 days, he is still very weak and is being medically looked after, yet he will soon be able to leave hospital.

Mister Alassane Mousbaou who was deported in a secret operation at night, is still in contact with the "International Campaign" and his lawyers. After two efforts of the RPT to arrest him, he is still in serious danger. He is hiding. His lawyer has called to quickly proceed with the hearings. The acceptance of his reasons of asylum should make a secure return to Germany possible.

On occasion of the anniversary of Gnassingbé Eyadema's death, about 150 refugees mainly from Togo as well as some supporters gathered in front of the Togolese embassy in Berlin. This action organized by the International Campaign against the Dictatorship in Togo aimed against the continuing Eyadema-regime, lead by his son Faure. After that, the group moved to the Foreign Office to call for an end of collaborations between Germany and terror regimes in West Africa as well as for an immediate stop of all deportations to Togo and for a Mister Mousbaou's secure return.

The "International Campaign" will soon start a nationwide tour with Togolese dissidents and human rights activists. Announcements will soon be made.

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