

made no serious effort together with the Haitian police to disarm the armed gangs.

Amnesty deplored the fact that promises to that effect made by France and the United States have thus far not been fulfilled.

The Amnesty International delegation said it had also visited the National Penitentiary where more than 40 people are detained, a majority of whom are members of Fanmi Lavalas, including the former interior minister of the Aristide government, Jocelerme Privert, who was arrested in the middle of the night on Monday. They are being held under the protection of the multinational force, Amnesty said.

According to the organization, officials of the U.S. Embassy in Haiti were not in a position to provide any details on accusations against these detainees.

Amnesty International asked the U.S. government to clarify these arrests.

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**CARLI denounces summary executions perpetrated in March 2004 as well as the double standard of the Latortue government in the area of justice**  
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Port-au-Prince, April 7, 2004 -(AHP)- The Committee of Lawyers for the respect of Individual Liberties (CARLI) published a report this Wednesday on its "Hot Line" program for the month of March 2004.

In the report, the Haitian human rights organization describes several cases of human rights violations and telephone appeals received from several victims.

CARLI Secretary General Renan Hédouville said that during the month of March several cases of summary execution were documented, notably that of five young men murdered by police officers stationed at the Cafeteria precinct station.

The victims were members of the Fanmi Lavalas political organization.

CARLI also described the killing of four individuals including one journalist on March 7 during a demonstration by the opposition political Platform to celebrate the departure of President Aristide.

In addition, Renan Hédouville denounced the policy of double standards practiced by the Latortue government.

"It is inconceivable that individuals indicted by the judiciary as well as convicted prisoners who have escaped from detention facilities continue to benefit from the laxness of the judicial system", asserted Mr. Hédouville. He wondered whether the struggle for human rights and the establishment of the rule of law in Haiti is over.

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**The ALLAH party rejects the agreement on the transition process that was signed between the Latortue government, the Democratic Convergence and the group of 184**  
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Port-au-Prince, April 7, 2004 -(AHP)- The Party for the Liberation and the Advancement of Haiti (ALLAH)