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**CARLI denounces contradictions between statements by the PNH spokesperson and the Minister of Justice regarding the reasons motivating the arrest of Father Jean-Juste**  
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Port-au-Prince, October 19, 2004 (AHP)- Renan Hédouville, the director of CARLI, the Committee of Lawyers for the Respect of Individual Liberties, expressed indignation and great concern Tuesday following the arrest of Father Gérard Jean-Juste on October 13 inside the presbytery of the Parish of Sainte Claire located at Petite Place Cazeau.

Renan Hédouville said he finds flagrant contradictions in the explanations of the police and judicial authorities.

National Police spokesperson Jessie Cameau Coicou had emphasized at a press conference that the police simply wanted to question Father Gérard Jean-Juste and obtain simple explanations to their questions and did not wish to arrest him.

For his part, interim Minister of Justice Bernard Gousse had declared that justice and police officials had been looking for Father Jean-Juste for some time in connection with his alleged involvement in violence perpetrated in the country.

According to Mr. Hédouville, this flagrant contradiction clearly demonstrates that the grounds for the arrest of Father Jean-Juste have not been defined.

Renan Hédouville demanded that Father Gérard Jean-Juste be immediately released, and at the same time reminded the governmental authorities that the defeat of justice is always temporary because, he said, those who violate human rights will surely be held accountable before the nation and the international community.

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