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Excerpts from article on back page of December 3 O Trabalho,  
legal weekly of the Brazilian Organização Socialista Inter-  
nacionalista (OSI, part of OCRFI):

"PUBLIC MEETING AGAINST REPRESSION

"The newspapers O Trabalho, O Trabalhador, and Confêrencia  
[sic--must mean Convergência] Socialista are calling an  
International Solidarity Meeting Against Repression of the  
Workers, to demand the release of militants detained in  
Iran, Nicaragua, and El Salvador. This meeting, which will  
be held today, the fifth [of December] ... at the Univer-  
sity of São Paulo, has one single purpose: to defend the workers'  
freedom to demonstrate and organize independently....

"In Brazil and in other countries support to the campaign  
for the liberation of the militants held prisoner in those  
3 countries is growing greater and greater.

"In Brasília, a demonstration demanding freedom of the  
14 Iranian Trotskyists, of the Trotskyists and other workers  
prisoners in Nicaragua, and of the three trade unionists in  
El Salvador ... is endorsed by the following: [list of 8  
MDB members of Congress and several student and faculty  
bodies at the University of Brasília]....

"While refusing to sign the call owing to disagreement  
with the characterization made of the situation in Nicaragua,  
the UnB DCE [student government] and the local leadership of  
the PTB are sending telegrams demanding the release of all  
the militants held in Iran, Nicaragua, and El Salvador....

"A 'Group of Volkswagen Workers' sent a motion of

support to the campaign, demanding the right to free party and trade-union organization for the workers of Iran, Nicaragua, and El Salvador."

The article is the main feature on the back page of the issue; a considerably smaller item on Iran on the same page explains the "Donapartist" position Khomeini is being more and more forced to take because of the growing instability of the Islamic Republic and the government's inability to break with imperialism. It notes Bani Sadr's dismissal "owing to his positions regarding the case of the U.S. embassy." Also on the page is a brief interview with Farhad Nouri taken from the Mexican Lambertist paper Boletín Obrero.

- Fred M.