Case Study 1

Paul Hill was arrested, tried, found guilty and jailed in 1975 for bombing hotels in England in support of Irish independence. He maintained his innocence, and said that some evidence against him was fabricated by the police, and that some supporting evidence was kept secret from the court during his trial.

Amnesty International helped to maintain public awareness of the case, and provided legal help. Eventually, the British Government admitted that police officers had lied at his trial, and he was released and the conviction quashed (cancelled).

His story was made into a film, *In the Name of the Father*.

Case Study 2

Yuzana Khin is a supporter of democracy in Burma. She led a non-violent demonstration of 10,000 Burmese against the military government. Hundreds of them were shot down by the police and government troops in 1988. Amnesty International helped her to flee Burma, and gain refuge in the United States of America. In 1991 she accepted the Nobel Peace Prize on behalf of pro-democracy Burmese leader Aung San Suu Kyi, who has been under house arrest in Burma for 14 of the past 20 years.