



URGENT ACTION

MURDER AND INJURING OF CIVILIANS BY RSF AT ALTUGULA GOLD MINE IN TALODI, SUDAN

On 3rd May 2019, for unknown reasons, RSF soldiers randomly shot bullets while at Altugula gold mine market. As a result, one person died and four others were injured. No investigations have been carried out.

The dead person is Mr. Abakar Osman Abakar and the injured people are Abduelraouf Eltoum, Hassan Maki, Hassan Ismail and Saeed Abduelmoneim. All of them are workers at Altugula gold mine and they are from Abu-Jebaiha area. Altugula is a gold mine at Talodi of South Kordufan State.

On 3rd May 2019, for unknown reasons a group of Rapid Support Force (RSF) soldiers came to Altugula goldmine market and started firing (shooting) randomly. As a result, five people sustained injuries. After the shooting, a civilian went and asked the RSF commandant for a vehicle to transport the injured people but he refused. People hired vehicles to transport the injured to Abu-Jebaiha because there was no medical doctor in Talodi hospital. While they were on the way to Abu-Jebaiha (which is more than 100 kilometers), one of the injured people died. No investigations have been held yet.

HUDO was informed by one of the eyewitnesses that, the attack by RSF was deliberate and that they have been intimidating and harassing people always to force them evacuate the goldmine.

HUDO is very concerned about the lives of civilian in conflict areas and the acts of RSF soldiers.

HUDO calls upon;

- Police in South Kordufan State to carry out genuine investigations, to apprehend and present the suspects (RSF soldiers) before courts of law.
- The lawyers' association, to give the needed legal support for the case and victims.
- Sudanese and international civil society to focus more on conflict areas.



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More information

Altugula gold mine is one of Talodi six traditional gold mines. In 2018, the gold mine was given to Elgenaid gold mine company which owned by the leader / head of RSF- Mr. Mohammed Hamdan Daglu (Hemaiti). He has since located/ brought in big troops of RSF that are violating the civilians' rights on daily base.

On 22nd April, one of RSF soldiers killed a civilian and there was no investigation yet the case was reported to police and the perpetrator/ suspect is well known.