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PRESS STATEMENT

UNIDENTIFIED ARMED PEOPLE ATTACKED AND KILLED A HERDSMAN IN ELFAID UM-ABDALLA, SUDAN

On 21st January 2024, three armed masked people attacked two herdsman near Elfaid Um-Abdalla and shot at them. As a result, one died instantly and the other managed to flee. The case was reported at police office but there was no follow up or investigations.

On 21st January 2024, while Mr. Abdalla Ajloon (65 years old) and Mr. Abdalla Mohammed Rajab (55 years old) were herding their flock (sheep) near Elfaid Um-Abdalla, they were attacked by three armed men putting face masks. The armed men shot bullets at them and as a result, Mr. Abdalla Rajab was fatally injured while Mr. Abdalla Ajloon managed to flee the scene and informed the relatives. The relatives rushed to the scene only to find Mr. Rajab dead. They took the dead body to the hospital at Elfaid Um-Abdalla town and also reported the case against unidentified people at Elfaid Um-Abdalla police office. The body was later buried. Up to date police did not carry out investigations.

A community leader from Elfaid informed HUDO Centre that; *"these days Rapid Support Force (RSF) soldiers are moving heavily within the area where many nomad Arabs are settled. This created tension among the residents and limited their movements"*.

Elfaid Um-Abdalla is small town in Abu-Kershola locality of South Kordufan State/ Nuba Mountains.

HUDO Centre is concerned about the safety of civilians in Sudan during this difficult period of fighting between SAF and RSF and calls for the following:

- The Sudanese Armed Forces in South Kordufan State/ Nuba Mountains to implement security measures for the civilians.
- The police in Elfaid Um-Abdalla to conduct their duties responsibly and investigate this case among others.
- The prosecutor in South Kordufan State/ Nuba Mountains to ensure rule of law conducted.

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