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PRESS STATEMENT

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SAF SOLDIER SHOT A CIVILIAN AT HIS SHOP NEAR ABU-KERSHOLA, SUDAN

On 10th March 2023, SAF soldier shot and injured Mr. Hussein Abdelrahman Al-Zaki at his shop in Al-Zalataya village. SAF soldier accused the victim that he was playing SPLA-N song. The case was reported at Abu-Kershola police but no action was taken by police.

On 10th March 2023, a group of armed Sudan Armed Force (SAF) soldiers patrolling with about ten (10) vehicles arrived at Al-Karnak market in Al-Zalataya village. They briefly stopped at the shop of Mr. Hussein Abdelrahman Al-Zaki who was listening/ playing music (songs) on his personal device. The soldiers ordered him to stop playing a particular song reasoning that it belongs to Sudan People Liberation Army – North (SPLA-N). Mr. Hussein tried to engage them in a conversation but, one of the soldiers suddenly shot and fractured his leg. The soldiers thereafter drove away.

The victim (Hussein) was taken by the family and community members to Abu-Kershola police where the case was reported. They later took him to El-Obeid for medical treatment. However, since then no action was taken by police.

Mr. Hussein Abdelrahman Al-Zaki (40 years old) a trader at Alkrnak market in Al-Zalataya village. The village is located in Abu-Kershola locality of South Kordufan State, it is about six (6) km southeast Abu-Kershola town (the capital of the locality).

HUDO Centre is deeply concerned about the security situation and the safety of civilians in conflict areas and recommends that:

- The Police in South Kordofan State /Nuba Mountains should carry out their duties responsibly and quickly investigate this case.
- The Chief Public Prosecutor in South Kordofan State / Nuba Mountains to ensure that there is rule of law.
- The commandant of SAF in South Kordufan State to investigate in this case.

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