



URGENT ACTION

UPDATE ON

ARREST OF ALTARTAR AND DILLING, SUDAN

On 29th January 2019, president of Sudan announced the release of all detainees though many are still under detention including Altartar and Dilling detainees.

On 3rd January 2019, National Intelligence and Security Services (NISS) in South Kordufan State arrested Babikir Ahmed Elteгани, Loai Mohammed, Ali Ahmed, Ibrahim Elhaj, Babikir Ahmed, Fadelalla Elneuai, Nadir Jabir, Ahmed Elkarar, Ahmed Adam, Ahmed Radi, Bashir Yasin and Mohammed Ahamed Adam from Altartar town([H.K/UA/01/019](#)). They were transported to Kadogli on the same day where they are still detained. They are not allowed to be visited though there was an attempt of visits by Altartar community leader on 4th January 2019 and by their relatives on 17th January 2019.

On 22nd January 2019, NISS in Dilling arrested Mr. Mohammed Ahmed, Mr. Mohammed Belal, Mr. Mohammed Edris, Mr. Abdalla Mergani, Mr. Elzain Mohammed and Mr. Saif-Eldin Elhasab ([H.K/UA/05/019](#)). Since then they cannot be visited by their families and lawyers.

Despite the presidential announcement at Kadogli public rally they are still held incommunicado.

HUDO is very concerned about the situation of civilians during this current condition of demonstrations and calls upon;

- Sudan government to respect the freedom of expression and assembly.
- Sudan government to respect its international obligations of rights.
- NISS in Kadogli and Dilling to immediately release the detainees unconditionally.



More information

- On 23rd December 2018, there was a public demonstration in Altartar town in line with the demonstrations going on in many towns of Sudan seeking political reforms.
- Also, there was an announcement of a visit of president of Sudan to Dilling town for 29th January 2019 but, he visited Kadogli. In line with the visit, NISS conducted what is termed as “preventive arrests” of the youths and students. Some were released while others are still held incommunicado.
- The two towns are in South Kordufan and capitals of localities. Altartar is the capital of Eltadamoun locality, its location is 70 km East Al-Abbasiya town and 84 km North Abu-Jibaiha town. Dilling is the capital of Dilling locality located 135 km north the state capital/ Kadogli town.