



URGENT ACTION

ARREST OF YOUTH BY NISS IN DAMAZIN, SUDAN

On 11th January 2019, NISS arrested a group of youth in Damazin at Almuleid square. The reason for arrest was attempting to demonstrate. Their whereabouts are not known and they are suspected to be undergoing torture.

Most of the arrested youth are students from Blue Nile University and graduates. Some of their names are: Mr. Huzaifa Ahmed, 26 years old; Mr. Abdueilmoneim Mohammed Elmamoun, 27 years; Mr. Abdalla Elmasri, 25 years; Mr. Mutwakil Nabil, 23 years; Mr. Osman Abass, 27 years and Mr. Elnagei Magdi, 21 years.

On 11th January 2019, immediately after Jumaa prayers, unspecified number of youth was arrested by National Intelligence and Security Service (NISS) in Damazin at Almuleid square. They were taken to unknown place and this has raised fear that they could be subjected to torture.

According to social media activist in Damazin said, there was a call in social media for a demonstration at Almuleid square after Jumaa prayers; the call was from unknown account on Facebook. It is believed that the Facebook account was a false one from NISS generated to trap whoever intended to come out for demonstration. So, however had appeared or passed by the venue was arrested.

HUDO is very concerned about the situation of civilians during this current situation of demonstrations.

HUDO calls upon;

- Sudan government to stop targeting students/ youth.
- Blue Nile State government and NISS to disclose the number and whereabouts of those detained youth and to allow family and lawyers to visit them.
- NISS in Damazin to immediately release them unconditionally or to present them before courts of law if there is a genuine case against them.



More information

Demonstration was started earlier in Damazin town since 13th December 2018 as well as in many other Sudanese towns afterwards seeking political reforms. From that time many people have been killed, wounded and arrested by NISS and police.