



UPDATE (3)

THE ARREST OF MR. ELSAFI ELDEGAIN BY SAF IN ALERI GHAREIB, SUDAN

Mr. Elsafi Eldegain was arrested by Sudan Armed Force/ Military Intelligence unit (SAF/ MI) more than three (3) months back but had never been presented before courts of law and he has been held incommunicado. No reason was given for his arrest and he is likely to be undergoing torture.

Since Mr. Elsafi was arrested by SAF/ MI from his house in Aleri Ghareib, he has been held incommunicado regardless of many attempts by his family to visit him in vain. He was arrested on 11th April 2020 and deported to Talodi military base the following day (12th April 2020).

On 11th June 2020, Mr. Elsafi was allowed to communicate to his family via the phone which was provided to him by MI but he could not disclose where he was held. A reliable source confirmed to HUDO that, he is currently detained at Kadogli military headquarters after being transferred from Talodi. The prolonged detention and stopping visitors from accessing him causes fear that he could be undergoing torture.

HUDO is very concerned about Mr. Elsafi's arrest and calls upon;

- Sudan government to immediately disclose the cause of Mr. Elsafi Eldegain's arrest.
- The military Authorities to allow his family and lawyers to visit him.
- Sudan government to unconditionally release or send him to courts of law.
- Sudan government to end the state of emergency which enables SAF/ MI and its militias to carry out arrests at will against civilians.
- Sudan government to stop any kind of discriminative acts towards the citizens from conflict areas.
- Sudan government to respect its international obligations towards citizens.

End: To read the previously published Urgent Appeal for Elsafi's case, please visit:

<https://wp.me/p6WXCc-Oy>

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