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Arab League official expresses his concerns over detention of Abu Eissa and Madani by the security authorities

An official from the League of Arab States (LAS) expressed his grave concerns over the arrest of two famous Sudanese figures: D. Amin Mekki Madani, chairman of the Confederation of civil society organizations and the former UN envoy for human rights in the Middle East and North Africa, and Farouk Abu Issa, the chairman of the National Consensus Forces (NCF) , LAS official promised also to discuss these issues with officials in LAS in order to communicate with the Sudanese authorities to release them as well as other political Sudanese detainees.

Also in the context of the ACS campaign, to release political detainees, D. Abdelatif Obaid, the Assistant Secretary for LAS in Tunis, talked to Abdel Moneim Alhur, the representative of the ACS in Libya, about his deep concerns over the arrest of Mr. Madani, Mr. Abu eissa and other detainees and prisoners, by the Sudanese authorities. Mr. Alhur discussed with Mr. Obaid, the situation of public freedoms in Sudan, the continued arbitrary arrests, storming into universities and suppression of protests, pointing out that 200 citizens lost their lives in violence in 2013 due to the use of excessive force to disperse the demonstrators. He further referred to the killings and displacement of civilians in South Kordofan, Blue Nile and Darfur. Mr. Obaid, who is one of the founders of the Tunisian League for Human Rights, expressed his deep regret over the detention of the two leaders by the security authorities, only because they signed a document calling for peaceful rotation of power, promotion of democracy and establishment of the state of citizenship, he added that D. Amin Mekki Madani, is his fellow as a lawyer and there is reason to arrest him like that...

Obaid reiterated to discuss that with LAS officials in order to contact the Sudanese government to stop these campaigns of arrests by the Sudanese authorities and to release D. Madani, Abu eissa and other political detainees and prisoners. He furthermore expressed his wishes that the Sudanese rivals would resort to political dialogue in order to succeed the peace process and to end the armed conflict in Sudan.

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