



## PRESS STATEMENT

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### TWO YOUTH SUMMONED BY NISS IN DAMAZIN-SUDAN

**In line with the demonstrations, NISS Damazin summoned two youth and later released them.**

On 20<sup>th</sup> January 2019, National Intelligence and Security Service (NISS) in Damazin of Blue Nile State summoned Mr. Waheeb Khalid Elgadi, 42 years old to their office. Waheeb is a public servant and owns a bookshop and restaurant near Blue Nile University. He was interrogated about the students who come to the bookshop, whether they (youth/students) meet there or not? He was later released at evening hours.

On 21<sup>st</sup> January 2019, NISS Damazin summoned Mr. Ahmed Mudathir, 26 years old, a recent graduate from Blue Nile University. He was released at evening hours after being interrogated about the phrases written on walls (Tasqut Bas/ topple the regime).

Since December 2018, demonstrations have been going on in many towns of Sudan including Damazin where people are demanding for their basic rights and political reforms. The security forces responded with excessive use of force towards demonstrators which caused loss of lives and many have been arrested.

**HUDO** is very concerned about the situation of youth during this time of demonstrations in Sudan.

**HUDO** calls upon;

- Sudan government to stop targeting, arresting and intimidating youth.
- Sudan government to respect its international obligations towards their citizens.
- NISS in Damazin to stop intimidating and harassing youth.

**End**

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