PRESS STATEMENT

TWO HERDSMEN KILLED IN BLUE NILE, SUDAN

On 13th May 2020, dead bodies of two brothers (herdsmen) were found near Khartoum Belail village of Blue Nile State. The two brothers were kidnapped by four armed men when they were grazing cattle in Amura jungle area. They were with their fellow herdsmen at the time of kidnap. A case was reported against anonymous.

On 11th May 2020, some herdsmen were grazing their cattle at Amura jungle, a group of four armed men attacked and kidnapped two of them. Those who were kidnapped are Mr. Ramadan Hamid Eldaw (18 years) and Mr. Khamees Hamid Eldaw (20 years) and the two were selected because they belonged to Angasana tribe. Their fellow herdsmen from other tribes (falata and Arab) were left free. On 13th May 2020, the kidnapped men (Ramadan and Khamis) were found dead and their bodies were near Khartoum Belail village slaughtered.

Khartoum Belail village and Amura areas are near each other in Geisan locality of Blue Nile, and in a distance of approximately 25 km northwest the locality capital city/ Geisan town.

A reliable source informed HUDO Centre that, there are some criminals moving within this area for more than six months. That they loot people’s property and that the authorities have not taken action. This incident is different since the criminals never took the cattle or attacked the other herdsmen from other tribes.

HUDO is very concerned about the situation of civilians in conflict areas and calls upon;

- Sudan government at state and central level to urgently investigate the state of insecurity in Blue Nile State and other conflict areas and to solve it.
- Sudan government to ensure that police executes their duties responsibly and to ensure bringing the perpetrator before the court of law.
- Sudan government to ensure the safety of people in conflict areas
- Sudan government to respect its international obligations towards their citizens.

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