

PUBLIC

AI Index: MDE 31/007/2006

31 July 2006

Further Information on UA 224/05 (MDE 31/015/2005, 31 August 2005) Incommunicado detention/ fear of torture or ill-treatment/ fear of forcible return

YEMEN

Mohammed Abdel Qadir (m), Somali national

Mohammed Abdel Qadir was released from detention in Political Security in the capital Sana'a in June 2006. He had been detained for more than ten months. He was not charged with any offence and was not brought before a court at any time during his detention.

Mohammed Abdel Qadir, a security guard at the office of the international news agency Associated Press (AP) in Sana'a, was reportedly arrested at the AP office at around 8am on 25 August 2005 by members of Political Security.

It was reported that he was beaten by security forces apparently for refusing to provide information about AP journalists.

After his release, Mohammed Abdel Qadir thanked all those who worked on his behalf.

Many thanks to all who sent appeals. No further action is required.