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Further information on EXTRA 68/02 (AFR 54/024/2002, 5 September 2002) - <u>Fear of</u> "Disappearance"/Fear of Torture/Incommunicado Detention

SUDAN Rehab Abdel Bagi Mohamed Ali (f), aged 30 Farid Abbas (m), aged 29

On 7 September, Amnesty International learned that Farid Abbas had been released. On 10 September Rehab Abdel Bagi Mohamed Ali, who was being held at the premises of the Sudan Women's National Union in Khartoum, was transferred to Omdurman Prison, near Khartoum, where she is currently being held without charge. The two were detained at Khartoum airport on 1 September.

Her family were allowed to visit her before she was transferred and she reportedly told them that she had not been tortured or ill-treated. Her brother was permitted to visit her in Omdurman Prison on 12 September.

Amnesty International appeals are reported to have had a direct impact on the cases of Rehab Abdel Bagi Mohamed Ali and Farid Abbas.

Many thanks to all who sent appeals. We will continue to campaign on behalf of Rehab Abdel Bagi Mohamed Ali through other means. If possible, please send one final round of appeals, in Arabic, English or your own language:

- welcoming the release of Farid Abbas;

- expressing concern over the continuing detention without charge of Rehab Abdel Bagi Mohamed Ali, who is currently being held in Omdurman Prison;

- calling on the authorities to abide by its commitments under Article 9 of the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights (ICCPR) and either charge Rehab Abdel Bagi Mohamed Ali with a recognizably criminal offence and give her a prompt and fair trial in accordance with international standards, or set her free immediately.

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