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**Further Information on UA 116/05 (AFR 54/047/2005, 09 May 2005) and follow-up (AFR/044/2005) -
Fear for safety**

SUDAN Dr Mudawi Ibrahim Adam (m) Chair of the Sudan Development Organization

Dr Mudawi Ibrahim Adam was set free on 16 May. However, the charges against him (espionage and photographing military areas), like the 2004 charge of attempting to commit suicide, have not been officially dropped.

He was allowed to leave the detention centre at the Attorney General's Office, where he had been held for eight days, and his passport was returned to him. Amnesty International believes he was detained solely to prevent him from travelling to Ireland to receive the inaugural Front Line Human Rights Defender award from Irish President Mary McAleese on 13 May. His wife travelled to Dublin to receive the prize on his behalf.

Many thanks to all who took action on this case. If possible, please send a final round of appeals, in English or your own language:

- expressing regret that Dr Mudawi Ibrahim Adam appears to have been kept in custody by National Security and the police solely to prevent him from travelling to Ireland to receive an award for his human rights work;
- calling on the authorities to ensure that human rights activists are able to carry out their work of protecting and promoting human rights without fear of detention or harassment.

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PLEASE SEND APPEALS IMMEDIATELY. Check with the International Secretariat, or your section office, if sending appeals after 28 June 2005.