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SUDAN Dr Mudawi Ibrahim Adam (m), Director of the Sudan Social Development Organization (SUDO)

All charges against human rights activist Dr Mudawi Ibrahim Adam were dropped on 7 August and he is no longer in custody. The following day he sent this email to the International Secretariat:

"Thanks for the support you gave me and all the needy people. I have been inspired by the support you and all human rights defenders gave. It is your support and solidarity that kept my high spirit and determination to keep on the struggle for the freedom and rights of my people ... Your

Solidarity and support explicitly strengthened my belonging to the community of good spirited people. Thanks again and I will remain honest, faithful and determined as an impartial human rights defender as long as I exist in this life. Keep up and cheer up, we will win a prosperous world."

Dr Mudawi is Director of the Sudan Social Development Organization (SUDO), which provides support to people forced to flee their homes in Darfur, western Sudan. He was arrested at his home in Khartoum in December 2003 after he visited Darfur in the course of his work for SUDO. In February 2004 he was brought before the Attorney General and charged with crimes against the state that carried the death penalty. The "evidence" against him included the fact that he owned documents published by Amnesty International. He was held solely for his activities in defence of human rights, and Amnesty International adopted him as a prisoner of conscience.

No further action is requested from the Urgent Action network. Many thanks to all who sent appeals.