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EGYPT Sabir Farahat Abu al-'Ala Mahmoud Farahat Abu al-'Ala

On 24 May 1998, Sabir Farahat Abu al-'Ala and Mahmoud Farahat Abu al-'Ala were executed at the al-Isti'naf Prison in Cairo.

They were sentenced to death on 30 October 1997 by the Cairo Supreme Military Court, after an unfair trial, on charges of carrying out a fire bomb and gun attack on a tourist bus in central Cairo on 18 September 1997. Nine German tourists and their Egyptian bus driver were killed in the attack.

Many thanks to all who sent appeals on their behalf.