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Further information on UA 310/02 (MDE 12/035/2002, 17 October 2002) Torture or ill-treatment/ Incommunicado detention

EGYPT Al-Sayid Muhammad Hassan 'Abd al-Ghani (m), aged 50

Al-Sayid Muhammad Hassan 'Abd al-Ghani was released on 30 October. He was held for four weeks in incommunicado detention, reportedly at different State Security Intelligence (SSI) premises. Amnesty International has so far received no further information about his treatment in detention.

Many thanks to all who took action for Al-Sayid Muhammad Hassan 'Abd al-Ghani. If possible, please send a final round of appeals, in Arabic, English or your own language:

- calling on the Egyptian authorities to investigate and identify those responsible for the incommunicado detention of Al-Sayid Muhammad Hassan 'Abd al-Ghani;
- calling on the authorities to take necessary measures to prevent the ongoing practice of incommunicado detention, where detainees face a heightened risk of torture or ill-treatment;
- reminding them that prolonged incommunicado detention may facilitate the perpetration of torture and in itself constitute a form of cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment.

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