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URGENT ACTION

BAHRAINI ACTIVIST RELEASED

Bahraini activist Nader Abdulemam has been released after his sentence was reduced on appeal.

Nader Abdulemam, aged 41, was released on 16 January after a Court of Appeal reduced his sentence from six months to four months in prison. He was released on the same day, as he had already served that amount of time in prison. He had been sentenced by the Third Lower Criminal Court on 22 October for "publicly insulting a religious figure of worship" after posting comments on Twitter about Khalid bin al-Waleed, a companion of the prophet Muhammad and a renowned Islamic commander.

Nader Abdulemam still has other pending cases in court in relation to charges of illegal gathering. Amnesty International will follow up on his cases and react if needed. Nader Abdulemam would like to thank all Amnesty members who sent appeals on his behalf.

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

This is the second update of UA 240/14. Further information: http://www.amnesty.org/en/library/info/MDE11/041/2014/en

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