URGENT ACTION

MAHMOUD AL-FAZARI RELEASED WITHOUT CHARGE
Omani national Mahmoud al-Fazari was released without charge on 6 August.

Mahmoud bin Khalifa bin Salem al-Fazari, aged 22, was released without charge in the evening of 6 August, from the police Special Section (*al-Qism al-Khas*) in the Qurm area of the capital, Muscat,

He had been arrested on 22 July after being summoned to the police Special Section in Qurm for questioning about his brother, Mohammed al-Fazari, a human rights activist and blogger, who had fled the country despite having had his passport and identification card confiscated and having been under a travel ban since December 2014.

At least four Omani activists have been detained since the beginning of August. Others have been interrogated in connection with their online activities on behalf of detained activists and in relation to Mohammed al-Fazari.

No further action is requested from the UA network. Amnesty International will continue to monitor the situation and will take further action when necessary. Many thanks to all who sent appeals.

This is the first update of UA 167/15. Further information: www.amnesty.org/en/documents/mde20/2192/2015/en/

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