

Dear Sir,

I am concerned for the life and safety of Human Rights researcher, Ibrahim Ezz El-Din. On the evening of 11 June 2019, Ibrahim was walking home when four security officers dressed in plain clothes surrounded him and arrested him. When Ibrahim's family and lawyers asked where he was, police denied that he was ever detained.

Ibrahim is the fifth person linked with his organization, the Egyptian Commission for Rights and Freedoms, to have been arrested in just three years. Hundreds like Ibrahim have been forcibly disappeared. They are held in secret detention for months, without ever being brought to trial and with no access to their lawyers or families and no external judicial oversight, where they are at a higher risk of torture and mistreatment. Many have been arrested simply for expressing their opinions peacefully, criticising the authorities, or standing up for human rights. This pattern of abuse must end.

Please reveal where Ibrahim is, give him access to his family and lawyers and ensure that he is protected from torture and mistreatment. Release Ibrahim unless he is charged with an internationally recognized crime.

Yours sincerely

您好

對於人權捍衛者易卜拉辛·埃澤·埃爾丁 (Ibrahim Ezz El-Din) 的人身安全，我在此表達強烈擔憂。2019 年 6 月 11 日晚上，易卜拉辛在走路回家途中，4 名便衣保安將他包圍並逮捕。當家屬和律師詢問他的下落，警方否認易卜拉辛遭拘留一事。

易卜拉辛隸屬於「埃及權利和自由委員會」(Egyptian Commission for Rights and Freedoms)；該組織在 3 年內便有 5 名相關人士遭到逮捕，易卜拉辛即為第 5 人；更有數百人和易卜拉辛一樣遭強迫失蹤，並遭秘密拘留數月，期間完全沒有經過審判，也無法接觸律師或家屬。缺乏外部司法監督，更使得他們面臨酷刑和虐待的高度風險。許多人只因和平表達意見、批評當局或捍衛人權便遭到逮捕。這種人權侵害的模式必須終止。

請透露易卜拉辛的下落、讓他和家人及律師接觸，並確保他不受酷刑和虐待。除非易卜拉辛被控國際認可的罪行，否則請盡速釋放他。

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