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While thinking you again for your concerns, Please accept, Sir, the assurance of my highest consideration.

Abdelrahman Dhirar
Ambassador
Permanent Representative

Attn: Mr. Jane Connors
Chief Special Procedures Branch
Fax: 022 917 90 06
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1. The Government of Sudan would like to extend its appreciation of your interest in the protection of human rights in Sudan, and would like to assure you that this is our ultimate goal as well, since we recognize that the protection of our citizen is our primary responsibility.

2. Before going into the details of the case, we would like to condemn the attitude of the different United Nations mechanisms of insisting in linking human rights issues to ethnicity, an issue that is not real and does not reflect the tolerance and co-existence of our societies.

3. The allegations mentioned in your appeal were not true according to the following:

   a. Mr. Bushara Gamar was arrested because of the existence of prima facie evidence against him.

   b. After investigation, a criminal suit was filed against him (case No. 330/2012) under articles 50/51/53/63/64/65/69 of the criminal Act 1991.

   c. The date of filing the case was 22 January 2012.

   d. The case is now before the courts and since that time national security has nothing whatsoever with the procedure.

4. It is not true that the accused is not represented by a lawyer, he has two lawyers representing him and one of them is Mr. Sati’a El Haj.

5. We would also like to assure you that we are aware of our international obligations as well as our national obligations under the bill of right enshrined in our constitution.

Geneva, 26 June 2012

[Signature]

OHCHR REGISTRY

27 JUN 2012

Recipients:..
You are kindly requested to take note of this reply, and forward it to Mr. El Hadji Malick Sow, Chair-Rapporteur of the Working Group on Arbitrary Detention, Ms. Maina Kiai, Special Rapporteur on the rights to freedom of peaceful assembly and of association, Mr. Anand Grover, Special Rapporteur on the right of everyone to the enjoyment of the highest attainable standard of physical and mental health, Ms. Margaret Sekaggya, Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights defenders, Ms. Gabriela Knaul, Special Rapporteur on the independence of judges and lawyers, Ms. Mutuma Ruteere, Special Rapporteur on contemporary forms of racism, racial discrimination, xenophobia and related intolerance, Mr. Juan E. Mendez, Special Rapporteur on torture and other cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment or punishment.

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