

(Translated from Arabic)

Information on Mohamed Abdullah Al-Roken, a citizen of the United Arab Emirates

1. The aforementioned individual was arrested on 17 July 2012 by order of the Office of Public Prosecutions and in accordance with the rules and legal principles applicable in the United Arab Emirates. He was informed of the reason for his arrest and the authority that was conducting the arrest and inspection. His family was informed of the place of his detention in Abu Dhabi. He was allowed to communicate with his family during his detention.
2. On 27 January 2013, the Office of Public Prosecutions referred the case file to the Federal Supreme Court on charges of establishing, founding, organizing and managing an organization whose aim is to overthrow the Government, suspend provisions of the Constitution or laws or oppose the basic principles underpinning the system of government.
3. Mr. Al-Roken was also informed of the charges against him when they were read out publicly in court. All of the court proceedings were public and held in the presence of the media and his defence lawyer. On 2 July 2013, the Federal Supreme Court sentenced him to 10 years in prison.
4. The convicted offender is serving his sentence in one of the State's prisons, under the supervision of the Office of Public Prosecutions. The Office of Public Prosecution is completely independent of the executive branch and supervises penitentiary facilities on an ongoing basis.
5. The individual in question was tried before a competent, fair, independent and impartial court. The allegations contained in the communication are unfounded and unrealistic. All of the court proceedings were public and attended by many media outlets and members of civil society. The public sittings were also attended by his siblings, [REDACTED], [REDACTED] and [REDACTED], his mother, [REDACTED], his wife, [REDACTED], and his lawyer, [REDACTED]. The charges against him were read out publicly and in his presence, and he was informed of the charges against him in detail. The judge allowed him to comment on the charges against him during the trial, and he was allowed to defend himself before the court in cooperation with his lawyer.
6. Mr. Al-Roken has not gone on hunger strike, has not been arbitrarily detained, has not been held in solitary confinement and has not been subjected to torture or deprived of his rights, as he claims. He is currently serving the 10-year prison sentence handed down by the court in one of the prisons that are subject to control and oversight by the Office of Public Prosecutions.
7. Mr. Al-Roken communicates regularly with his family and receives telephone calls and visits from his siblings, [REDACTED], [REDACTED] and [REDACTED], his mother, [REDACTED], his wife, [REDACTED], and his children, [REDACTED] and [REDACTED]. This is in accordance with the procedures followed by penitentiary establishments. He is in detention serving the sentence imposed by the court with a group of other prisoners in a suitable penitentiary facility that meets all the required standards to ensure the safety of prisoners in terms of food, environment, air conditioning and ventilation. He also receives the necessary health care: his health is monitored in one of the government hospitals and he has regular check-ups with the attending physician. He is transferred to specialized clinics for specific appointments and has the right to see the doctor if he requires medical attention.

