

Main address:12th December 2008

Prime Minister Nuri Kamil al-Maliki
C/o His Excellency Howar M. Ziad
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Dear prime minister of Iraq:

I am the student from Earth Rights school of Burma program. My name is XXXXXXXX. The school that I attends is one of the program of Earth Rights International.

The article 3 from Universal Declaration of Human Rights mentioned that "Everyone has the right to life, liberty and security of person." The article mentioned that "No one shall be subjected to torture or to cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment or punishment." The security forces of Iraq arrested Nathum Mohammad Isma'il al-' Ani and 17 others in Baghdad on 21st December 2006, no one has heard of Nathum and no authorities has revealed the reasons for the arrests. Nathum and the other man from the rest of the group and held them in a small room for 15 days. They were kicked, beaten with metal bars and suffocated with pillows, denied toilet facilities and food, and given only a very little water. I believe that was the tortured. On 4th January 2006, authorities released Ahmad' Abbas Khurshid al-Salihi, an Irish resident, without charge. His nose and shoulder were fractured and he had suffered psychological trauma. The tortured body of one other man was found later that month. There has been no sign of Nathum and the others. His family has contacted the Iraqi authorities, the US-led Multi-National Force in Iraq, UK and US diplomatic representatives in Iraq, and the International Committee of the Red Cross in their search for him. At the end of October 2008, the Ministry of Human Rights informed Amnesty International that an investigation had been carried out but they did not find any information.

Please sir, I would like to recommend that do everything in your power to investigate the enforced disappearance and torture of Nathum Mohammad Isma'il al-' Ani, and bring them before a court of justice.

Sincerely,

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