



THE SITUATION OF HUMAN RIGHTS DEFENDERS AND ACTIVISTS IN EGYPT

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During the period covered by the newsletter, the pretrial detention of human rights defenders pending investigations into cases was renewed. Meanwhile, human rights lawyer and former member of the National Council for Human Rights, **Hoda Abdel Moneim**, was referred to a criminal trial, and her trial was adjourned. Notably, the Cairo Court of Appeal found **insufficient evidence** to pursue the investigations in case 173 of 2011 (Foreign Funding Case), in favor of **four human rights organisations**.

ARRESTS, TRIALS AND INVESTIGATIONS

Detention renewal of unionist Rashad Kamal

On 7 September, Cairo Criminal Court decided to renew the detention of unionist Rashad Kamal for 45 days in state security case 1056 of 2020, in which he is facing charges of joining a terrorist group, having knowledge of its objectives and spreading false news and information.

Trial of human rights lawyer Hoda Abdel Moneim adjourned

On 11 September, Cairo Criminal Court adjourned the first trial session of human rights lawyer and former member of the National Council for Human Rights Hoda Abdel Moneim in state security case 1552 of 2018 on charges of joining a terrorist group having knowledge of its objectives, and financing it, to 13 September.

On 13 September, Cairo Criminal Court decided to adjourn the trial of the human rights lawyer to the session of 11 October.

Detention renewal for human rights lawyer Amr Imam adjourned

On 12 September, Cairo Criminal Court adjourned the detention renewal hearing of human rights lawyer Amr Imam in state security case 488 of 2019 on charges of participating in a terrorist group having knowledge of its objectives, misuse of a means of social media and publishing false news and information to 19 September.

On 19 September, Cairo Criminal Court decided to renew the detention of the human rights lawyer for 45 days.

Detention renewal of Eng. Yehya Hussein Abdelhady

On 13 September, Cairo Criminal Court decided to renew the detention of Eng. Yehya Hussein Abdelhady for 45 days

in state security case 277 of 2019 in which he is facing charges of joining a terrorist group, having knowledge of its objectives and publishing false news and information.

Detention renewal of rights lawyer Mohammed el-Baqer & blogger and activist Alaa Abdel Fattah

On 13 September, Cairo Criminal Court renewed the detention of human rights lawyer Mohammed el-Baqer, and blogger and activist Alaa Abdel-Fattah for 45 days in state security case 1356 of 2019 in which they face charges of joining a terrorist group, having knowledge of its objectives, committing a funding crime, and publishing false news and information.

Detention renewal of blogger Mohammed Oxygen adjourned

On 14 September, Cairo Criminal Court adjourned the detention renewal of blogger Mohammed Oxygen in state security case 855 of 2020. The date of the session is to be set later. He is facing the charge of joining a terrorist group and having knowledge of its objectives.

Detention renewal of human rights lawyer Ziyad El-Eleimy & journalists Hesham Fouad and Hossam Moanes adjourned

On 14 September, Cairo Criminal Court administratively adjourned the detention renewal of human rights lawyer Ziyad El-Eleimy and journalists Hesham Fouad and Hossam Moanes in supreme state security case 930 of 2019. The date of the session is to be set later. They face the charges of participating with a terrorist group in achieving its objectives and publishing false news and information.

Investigations shelved and a non-jurisdiction to file a criminal case decision for 4 human rights organizations

On 20 September, the investigative judge mandated by the Cairo Court of Appeal issued a decision that there should be no criminal case for insufficient evidence against the Andalus Institute for Tolerance and Anti-Violence Studies, the House of New Future Center for Legal and Human Rights Studies, the Human Development Association in Mansoura, and the Egyptian Center for Economic and Social Rights in case 173 of 2011.

Appeal of human rights lawyer Gamal Eid against the travel ban decision postponed

On 26 September, the Supreme Administrative Court decided to postpone the appeal 33178 of the judicial year 67 filed by the human rights lawyer and the executive director of the Arabic Network for Human Rights Information against the decision issued by the investigating judge to ban him from traveling in the case known in the media as the case of shutting down civil society to the 1 November session for obtaining a copy of the travel ban decision.