



THE SITUATION OF HUMAN RIGHTS DEFENDERS AND ACTIVISTS IN EGYPT

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Hossam Bahgat was sentenced to a fine of 10,000 Egyptian pounds for “insulting the elections authority”. The trials of human rights lawyer **Mohamed El-Baqer** and the bloggers **Alaa Abdel-Fattah** and **Mohamed Oxygen** were set for pronouncing the verdict on 20 December, without hearing their defense. Additionally, human rights lawyer **Zyad El-Elaimy** and the journalists **Hisham Fouad** and **Hossam Mones** were sentenced to prison and fined after unfair trials.

The **appeal** submitted by former presidential candidate Abdel Moneim Aboul Fotouh, blogger Alaa Abdel-Fattah and human rights lawyer Mohamed El-Baqer against the decision to place them on the lists of terrorist entities was **rejected** and the decision was upheld.

ARRESTS, TRIALS AND INVESTIGATIONS

Lawsuit of human rights lawyer Zyad El-Elaimy to be enabled to contact his lawyer and his family adjourned

On 23 October, the Administrative Court adjourned the lawsuit filed by lawyer and former parliamentarian Zyad El-Elaimy, who is currently imprisoned pending his accusation in the “Hope Cell” case, in which he demands that he be enabled to contact his lawyer and his family, to 25 December.

Detention of human rights lawyer Amr Imam renewed

On 24 October, Cairo Criminal Court renewed the detention of human rights lawyer Amr Imam for 45 days pending Supreme State Security case 488 of 2019, in which he faces charges of participating in a terrorist group with knowledge of its purpose, misuse of a means of social media and publishing false news and information.

Trial of Eng. Yehya Hussein Abdelhady set for adjudication

On 25 October, Nasr City Misdemeanors Emergency State Security Court set the trial of Engineer Yehya Hussein Abdelhady in case 558 of 2021 on the charge of publishing false news and information for pronouncing the verdict on 29 November.

Lawsuit of human rights lawyer Zyad El-Elaimy demanding to be transferred to a hospital outside prison for medical tests and furnishing his cell inside prison rejected

On 26 October 2021, the Administrative Court rejected the lawsuit filed by the family of lawyer and former

parliamentarian Zyad El-Elaimy, who was imprisoned in the “Hope Cell” case, which demands that the Ministry of Interior be obliged to transfer him to a private or state-owned hospital for treatment, allowing him to furnish his cell inside the prison, and enabling him to get the radiology he needs.

5 years in prison for human rights lawyer Zyad El-Elaimy, 4 years in prison for journalists Hisham Fouad and Hossam Moanes, and a 500 Egyptian pounds fine each

On 27 October, Misr al-Kadima State Security Misdemeanors Court set the trial of human rights lawyer Ziyad El-Elaimy and journalists Hossam Moanes and Hesham Fouad in case 957 of 2021 Misr al-Kadima State Security Misdemeanours on charges of publishing false news and information for adjudication on 17 November.

On 17 November, Misr al-Kadima Emergency State Security Misdemeanors Court sentenced human rights lawyer and former parliamentarian Zyad El-Elaimy to 5 years in prison and a fine of 500 Egyptian pounds, and the two journalists Hossam Mounis and Hisham Fouad, to 4 years in prison and a 500 Egyptian pounds fine each in the aforementioned case and charge.

Detention renewal consideration for human rights lawyer Mohammed Ramadan adjourned

On 1 November, Cairo Criminal Court adjourned the detention renewal consideration of human rights lawyer Mohammed Ramadan in State Security case 910 of 2021, in which he is facing the charge of joining a terrorist group having knowledge of its objectives, to 14 November, due to the inability to transfer him from prison.

On 14 November, Giza Criminal Court decided to adjourn the human rights lawyer’s detention renewal consideration pending the same case and the same charges for a date to be scheduled later, due to the inability to transfer him from prison.

On 22 November, Cairo Criminal Court decided to renew the detention of the human rights lawyer for 45 days pending the previously stated case and on the same charges.

Detention renewal of former presidential candidate and head of the Strong Egypt Party, Abdel Moneim Aboul Fotouh

On 1 November, Giza Criminal Court renewed the detention of former presidential candidate and head of the Strong Egypt Party, Dr. Abdel Moneim Aboul Fotouh for 45 days in State Security case 1781 of 2019 in which he faces charges of establishing and taking leadership of a terrorist group, committing a financing crime, and publishing false news and information.

Trial of human rights lawyer Mohamed El-Baqer, bloggers Alaa Abdel-Fattah and Mohamed Oxygen adjourned

On 1 November, The New Cairo State Security Misdemeanors Court adjourned the trial of human rights lawyer Mohamed El-Baqer and bloggers Alaa Abdel-Fattah and Mohamed Oxygen in Fifth Settlement Misdemeanours Emergency State Security case 1228 of 2021 on charges of publishing false news and information to 8 November.

On 8 November, New Cairo Emergency State Security Misdemeanors Court decided - without hearing pleadings - to set the trial of the human rights lawyer and the bloggers pending the aforementioned case and charge for pronouncing the verdict on 20 December.

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

On 2 November, Giza Criminal Court renewed the detention renewal of human rights lawyer Ziyad El-Eleimy and journalists Hesham Fouad and Hossam Moanes for 45 days in Supreme State Security case 930 of 2019 on charges of participating with a terrorist group in achieving its objectives and publishing false news and information.

Detention renewal of vlogger Mohamed Oxygen

On 2 November, Giza Criminal Court decided to renew the detention of vlogger Mohamed Oxygen for 45 days in State Security case 855 of 2020, in which he is facing the charge of joining a terrorist group having knowledge of its objectives.

Detention renewal of Eng. Yehya Hussein Abdelhady

On 2 November, Giza Criminal Court decided to renew the detention of Eng. Yehya Hussein Abdelhady for 45 days in case 277 of 2019 State Security 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 Mohamed El-Baqer & blogger Alaa Abdel Fattah

On 2 November, Giza Criminal Court renewed the detention of human rights lawyer Mohamed El-Baqer, and blogger and activist Alaa Abdel-Fattah for 45 days in case 1356 of 2019 State Security in which they face charges of joining a terrorist group and committing a funding crime.

Complaint of journalist Esraa Abdel Fattah against her travel ban decision adjourned

On 7 November, the 9th circuit of Cairo Criminal Court adjourned hearing the complaint submitted by journalist Esraa Abdel Fattah against her travel ban decision issued by the investigative judge mandated by the Ministry of Justice in case 173 of 2011 to 12 December.

Trial of human rights lawyer Hoda Abdel Moneim and members of the Egyptian Coordination for Rights and Freedoms adjourned

On 9 November, Cairo Criminal Court adjourned the trial of human rights lawyer and former member of the National Council for Human Rights Hoda Abdel Moneim and others in case known in the media as the case of activists of the Egyptian Coordination for Rights and Freedoms on charges of joining a terrorist group, promoting it and financing it, to 15 December.

Detention renewal of Quranist teacher Reda Abdelrahman

On 10 November, Zagazig Criminal Court rejected the appeal against the detention renewal of Quranist teacher Reda Abdelrahman for 45 days in Kafr Saqr Emergency State Security Misdemeanors case 3418 of 2020, in which he faces the charge of joining the terrorist organization ISIS, and the court upheld the decision.

Decision to place former presidential candidate Abdel Moneim Aboul Fotouh, blogger Alaa Abdel Fattah, and human rights lawyer Mohamed El-Baqer on the lists of terrorist entities upheld

On 18 November, the Court of Cassation rejected appeal 4 of 91 Judiciary submitted by the defense of former presidential candidate, Dr. Abdel Moneim Aboul Fotouh, blogger Alaa Abdel Fattah and human rights lawyer Mohamed El-Baqer against the decision to place them on the lists of terrorist entities issued in request no. 1, 2 of 2020 terrorism entities listing in Supreme State Security case 1781 of 2019 and upheld the listing decision.

Detention renewal of proofing editor Ayman Abdel Moaty

On 21 November, Giza Criminal Court decided to renew the detention of proofing editor Ayman Abdel Moaty for 45 days in State Security case 880 of 2020 in which he is facing charges of participating with a terrorist group in achieving its objectives, publishing false news and information, and demonstrating without informing the competent authorities.

Detention renewal of Dr. Walid Shawky

Cairo Criminal Court renewed the detention of dentist Walid Shawky for 45 days in Supreme State Security case 880 of 2020, On 22 November publishing ,misusing social media ,in which he faces charges of joining a terrorist group ,Security case 880 of 2020 and demonstrating without notifying the competent authorities. ,false news and information

Verdict of human rights activist and founder of the Egyptian Initiative for Personal Rights (EIPR) Hossam Bahgat's trial

On 29 November, Cairo Economic Court pronounced its verdict in the trial of human rights activist and founder of the Egyptian Initiative for Personal Rights - EIPR, Hossam Bahgat, on charges of insulting the National Elections Authority. He was sentenced to 10,000 Egyptian Pounds for "insulting the elections authority".