URGENT ACTION

PASTOR, MISSIONARY AND ACTIVIST RELEASED

Petr Jezek, Hassan A. Kodi and Abdulmonem Abdumawla have been released after a presidential pardon. Petr Jezek had been sentenced to life imprisonment, while the other two had been sentenced to 12 years imprisonment on 29 January.

Petr Jezek, a journalist and missionary of Czech nationality was released in February and has since returned to Czech Republic. **Hassan A. Kodi**, a pastor and secretary general of Sudanese Church of Christ and **Abdulmonem Abdumawla**, an activist, were released on 11 May. All three were released after being granted a presidential pardon by Sudan President Omar al-Bashir.

The three were arrested in December 2015. Petr Jezek was sentenced to life imprisonment and fined 100,000 Sudanese pounds (SDG) (about 15,475 USD) on 29 January. He was found guilty of 'Espionage' under Article 53 of the 1991 Penal Code. On the same day, Hassan A. Kodi and Abdulmonem Abdumawla were each sentenced to 12 years in prison for 'assisting in committing an offence' under Article 26 of the 1991 Penal Code.

Hassan A. Kodi, Petr Jezek and Abdulmonem Abdumawla were supporting the medical treatment of Ali Omar Mousa Hassaba-Allah, a student from Darfur who was hit by a Molotov cocktail, also known as a petrol bomb, during violent student clashes in December 2013 in a university in Khartoum. Ali's face, neck, chest and hands were severely burned, and he was in need of long-term medical treatment.

Hassan A. Kodi, Abdulmonem Abdumawla and Peter Jezek are thankful to Amnesty International for campaigning on their case.

No further action is requested of the UA network. Many thanks to those who sent appeals.

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