



## Urgent Action Required: Arrest and Detention of Activists

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Justice Africa Sudan express deep concern regarding the recent arrests, detention and prosecution of 7 youth activists' members of Sudan Christian Church Al Ezba Khartoum North, the activists were arrested by Sudan Armed forces (SAF) military Intelligent (MI) in Shandi River Nile state, when they arrived from EL Ezba Khartoum North on 2<sup>nd</sup> January 2025, fleeing from the fighting between SAF and the Rapid Support Forces (SRF)

SAF military Intelligent accused of them with collaborating with RSF and some with theft under article 174 of Sudan Penal Code 1991, and according to that sentenced them to 5- and 6-years imprisonment on 16<sup>th</sup> January 2025 , without allowing them to bring lawyers to defend them in the court and without any witnesses or evidences, and now they are in AL Damer prison the accused are:

- 1- Morad Morgous
- 2- Moataz Saeed
- 3- Saddam Tutu
- 4- Akram Omar Al-Mahdi
- 5- Marcus Musa.
- 6- Amjad Mustafa.
- 7- Al-Laqab Muhammad,

The activists in question have been involved in supporting their local communities, members by providing training for children and running soup kitchen (Takia) because of the harsh conditions the local community was facing due to the lack of basic needs and services. The arrest of these individuals not only undermines their constitutional rights but also sends a chilling message to others, specially targeting individual based on their tribes, region, religion or features.

SAF military intelligent also continue to target lawyers whom represent defenders in all the cases lunched by them against activists. We urgently ask the Sudanese Authority to:

- 1- Ensure the unconditional release of all detained activists.
- 2- Provide them with access to legal representation and medical care if needed.
- 3- Investigate the circumstances surrounding their arrests and hold accountable those responsible for any unlawful actions.

- 4- Uphold and protect the rights to free speech and assembly in accordance with international human rights standards.
- 5- Stop the harassment and intimations of lawyers and allow the defenders to have legal representative.

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