

INTERNATIONAL SOLIDARITY CAMPAIGN FOR YEMEN REFUGEE IN KENYA

UNHCR Kenya: First appeal and petition of Yemen refugee – Support Ahmad bin Ahmad Hadi's and his son's Khaled Ahmad bin Ahmad call for resettlement from Kenya

Ahmad bin Ahmad Hadi file number NYEM000069

Khaled Ahmad bin Ahmad File number NYEM000207

Support this appeal of Ahmad bin Ahmad Hadi to The VOICE Refugee Forum!

Please write to the UNHCR in Kenya and Copy UNHCR Geneva and appeal for the resettlement of Ahmad bin Ahmad Hadi and his son Khaled Ahmad bin Ahmad in an environment where he can be safe from the threats of Saudi-Arabia!

The VOICE Refugee Forum on Ahmad bin Ahmad Hadi

In the frame of our preparation of the Refugee Black Box events in Jena 2018 in September 2018, we received a call for support of a Yemen refugee in Kenya. Hereby we support and document his call (See below!)

Ahmad bin Ahmad Hadi, of Yemen origin, a father of three children, has been living in Kenya as a refugee for three years. As a leading member of the Al-Haq Party, a Huti-allied organization in Yemen, he was an exposed political personality in Yemen and thus again and again exposed to deadly threats by al-Qaida, by Saudi-Arabia and the UAE-mercenaries. After imprisonment and severe torture, he finally managed to escape to Kenya. He also managed to get his little son free who was held hostage in order to force the father to surrender. For three years now Ahmad bin Ahmad Hadi and his child have been living as refugees in Kenya.

Living as a refugee in Kenya for Ahmad bin Ahmad Hadi does not only mean a life in misery, without housing, without protection from rain and cold, without regular food - as it is the situation of hundreds of thousands of people. In addition, he is also exposed to continuous threats by the Saudi government, Al-Qaida and the Shabab branch of Al-Qaida in Kenya. Since the Saudi-Arabian in Kenya forced him under threats to write a declaration of collaboration, his resettlement process which was promised by the UNHCR got bogged down. As a result of torture and different sufferings Ahmad bin Ahmad Hadi health situation has been worsened, he is suffering from different illnesses.

Ahmad bin Ahmad Hadi has called upon The VOICE Refugee Forum. He made this testimony as part of our black box and he is filling the Refugee Black Box with his story. (See original document below)

We are aware that the situation of refugees in Kenya which hosts the world's biggest refugee camps is catastrophic. Hundreds of thousands of people have to suffer food shortage because of lack of funds of the international community which means especially the Western states.

But the continuous threats by the Saudi-Arabian government and terrorist organizations demand special protection for Ahmad bin Ahmad Hadi.

The VOICE Refugee Forum and The Refugee Black Box, therefore, support his demand for resettlement and for a life in security, safety and protection.

+ He must live in an environment where he can be safe from the threats of the Saudi-Arabian

government and insecurity from terrorist threats.

+ We demand from the UNHCR to fulfill the promised resettlement procedure without any further delay.

+ We demand an investigation about the intimidating threats of the Saudi-Arabian embassy in Kenya.

+ We demand from the European States to provide him and his family the shelter he needs.

Support our demands by signing our petition and by spreading our call!

Please write an urgent appeal to the UNHCR in Kenya and Copy in Geneva:

The UNHCR Country Representative in Kenya

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Mailing Address: P.O. Box 43801-00100 GPO, Nairobi, Kenya

Telephone: 41 22 739 7280, **Facsimile:** 41 22 739 7281 [Fax]

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Ahmad bin Ahmad Hadi's call:

Why this is important:

My name is Ahmad bin Ahmad Hadi.

I am a father of three children.

I am the head of Al-Haq political party in Yemen,

Head of Aden and Abyan branches.

While the war was going on in Aden, the Saudi Arabian Air Force struck my building. I was fortunately in my other house, in another city. When the war was finally coming to an end in the south, I had the chance to return to Aden governorate. On 14 October, al-Qaida and Emirates mercenary troops attacked my house at midnight, arrested me and took me to an unknown prison where they tortured me daily. I was jailed in a small dark room overflowed of urine and shit for 45 days, I couldn't bend my body and sleep straight like normal human beings anymore.

After 45 days, they took me to the hospital because I was bleeding. The doctor recognized me and contacted my nephew who took me to the North to escape. When he returned, they arrested him and tortured him in order to name the place where I am hiding. They cut off his finger so he told them

what they wanted to hear. Two times they have tried to assassinate me in Sanaa, while I was going to be appointed deputy of the ministry of general works and roads. I was under extreme terror and fear and had to leave Yemen so I decided to go to Kenya by air, through Cairo, to Ethiopia, and then to Nairobi.

Afterward, my only small son was kidnapped for a month, in order to pressure on me to surrender. I had to sell the last land that I had there and paid 4.5 million Yemeni rials to a sheik (leader of a tribe) who is my father's friend, who arranged his escape directly to the airport for the flight to Sudan, then to Nairobi.

At the present time, we are refugees here (Kenya) living a humiliating, horrible life with no security, with no shelter to sleep or food for two years now. The UNHCR Kenya said that we are already at the resettlement unit waiting for our call. Then the intelligence service in Sanaa caught one of the al-Qaida members who was involved in the two assassination attempts against me. He gave the information that the al-Qaida branch in Kenya, Shabab, is already searching for me with the clear intention to

assassinate me, so the prime minister's office sent a direct official letter to the UNHCR and the Chief of the Kenyan Police warning them and requesting to secure me in a safe house or to transfer me to any safe country. Unfortunately, with no response. Meanwhile, some spies from here informed the Saudi-Arabian ambassador in Nairobi that a Huthi leader is here and on the way to be resettled to Europe, so he invited me to his office and offered me to work for them against my allies. He offered me in exchange to be transferred to Riyadh and live in a villa, he offered me money as well and promised me to be appointed in the Yemeni legal government. I apologized and told him I am done with politics and all I want is to be resettled into a safe country and to live the rest of my life with my wife and children in safety. He advised me to think again, and said: "We will not accept the UNHCR and the Kenyan government to resettle you in Europe or America because these governments will use your case against our regime".

And they pressured me to write a declaration to state that I am willing to work for them. So he can threaten to use that declaration against me if I will speak about anything I said at that meeting. Because I was afraid that they may arrest or harm me in their embassy and for this reason, I wrote the declaration so that I could get outside safely.

Now, two years passed and the UNHCR is still asking me to wait for their call. I know the Saudi ambassador interfered in my resettlement process and put pressure on the Kenyan government and the UNHCR to delay it. As expected, they had accepted because the Saudi Arabian government is one of the greatest supporters of the UNHCR and the Kenyan government. Because of hunger in Yemen, and the suffering of my whole family, I've gone to hospitals and offered to donate a part of my liver to anyone, just to receive help in exchange, a place to sleep in any small room where to bring my daughters and wife and to support us with food. That's all I ask for.

But with no response! We sleep without any blanket or pillows in this cold rainy weather. I cover my son with my own jacket and hug him to sleep. The time when he was in the prison made him fear to be alone or in close rooms and afraid of anyone that carries guns.

I am a sick 40 years man, I had five discs injuries in my spine and heart huge and the left lung had been stoned with calcium and don't work anymore and at the right knee, I have a high infection because of walking through looking for rests to feed my son.

All I dream of is to resettle in any safe country with my son and bring my wife and my daughters and live in safety, with dignity, respect, and humanity. To anyone, to any church or organization who can help us with our resettlement, I and my family are begging you in the name of Jesus Christ to help us!

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