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PRESS STATEMENT

ARREST OF MR. SEDIQ BY MI IN BULGAWA OF BLUE NILE, SUDAN

On 21st September 2026, the SAF/ MI in Bulgawa arrested Mr. Sediq wad Banda and took him to the military garrison where he was kept incommunicado up to his release on 2nd October 2026. The reason was a phone call from one of RSF commanders.

On 21st September 2026, five soldiers from Sudan Armed Force/ Military Intelligence in Bulgawa arrested Mr. Sediq wad Banda from the market and took him to the military garrison. He was interrogated and kept incommunicado without allowing his family members visit or lawyers. According to the interrogation, the reason of his arrest was a phone call that he received from Commander Elhassan Adam (SPLA-N Elhelo faction).

On 2nd October 2026, he was released after signing a pledge not to communicate with any of TASIS personnel/ soldiers.

Mr. Sediq wad Banda is self-employed, 43 years old and resident of Damazin town. Mr. Elhassan Adam Elhassan is a Major General and was a senior commander within the SPLM-N/Agar faction defected and joined the TASIS. Bulgawa is small town in Wad Elmahi locality of Blue Nile State.

HUDO Centre is concerned about the safety and security of civilians in Sudan during this difficult period of fighting between SAF and RSF/ TASIS and calls for the following:

- The Sudan Armed Forces in Blue Nile State to investigate the circumstances that led to the arrest, of Mr. Sediq wad Banda and make the report public.
- The SAF/MI to stop the arrest of civilians.
- The prosecutor in Blue Nile State to ensure that the rule of law is upheld.

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