HUDO Centre

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PRESS STATEMENT

JSC ARRESTED A COMMUNITY LEADER IN BULGAWA-BLUE NILE, SUDAN

On 1st November 2026, the JSC in Ganees Sharq arrested Shaikh/ Ramadan Talib and kept him in custody for a night and released him the following day. They did not give a reason for the arrest.

On 1st November 2026, a group of soldiers from Joint Security cell (JSC) arrested Sheikh/ Ramadan Talib from his house in Ganees Sharq (Ganees East) and drove him to their office in Damazin, detained him for one night and released him the following day (2nd November 2026).

An activist in Blue Nile informed HUDO Centre that; *"Since the recent attacks of TASIS in Blue Nile state, the JSC carried out arrest operations mainly targeting the youth and activists from certain tribes particularly the Hamag tribe. By arresting one of Hamag community leader, I believe they intend to send a message that anyone from hamag is vulnerable and subjected to be arrested"*.

Sheikh/ Ramadan Talib (56 years) is a community leader of Hamag tribe in Ganees Sharq. Ganees is close to Roseries town (considered to be part of the town) which neighbours Damazin city in 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 security committee in Blue Nile State to investigate the circumstances that led to the arrest, of Sheikh/ Ramadan Talib and make the report public.
- The JSC 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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