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“We need the support of the international community. We need to feel that there are people behind us. It is a moral support. It is not tangible but it has a deep meaning in the heart.”

- Dr. Mudawi
Dr. Mudawi is an engineer, a prominent human rights advocate, and founder of the Sudan Social Development Organization (SUDO), a nongovernmental organization that promotes human rights and development initiatives relating to water, sanitation, and health in Sudan. He has been recognized internationally for his human rights promotion and humanitarian efforts, but repeatedly jailed for this work in Sudan. After nearly nine months in detention on spurious national security-related charges, he was among several prisoners granted a pardon by Sudanese President Omar al-Bashir on August 29, 2017.

The CHR and the International Human Rights Network of Academies and Scholarly Societies (H.R. Network) have actively worked on Dr. Mudawi’s case following his latest detention and advocated for his release with high-level Sudanese officials, international bodies, and other government actors.

**CHR Actions Taken:**

- CHR nomination of Dr. Mudawi for the AAAS Award for Scientific Freedom and Responsibility (09/01/17)
- Appeals to 15 members of the U.S. Congress, including Chairpersons and Ranking Members of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee; the House Committee on Foreign Affairs; the Tom Lantos Human Rights Commission; the Sub-Committee on Africa, Global Health, Global Human Rights, and International Organizations; the Senate Human Rights Caucus; the Subcommittee on Western Hemisphere, Transnational Crime, Civilian Security, Democracy, Human Rights, and Global Women’s Issues; and the Sudan and South Sudan Caucus (05/26/17)
- Case submission to Mr. Lawrence Murugu Mute, Commissioner Rapporteur for the Human Rights Situation in the Sudan and Chairperson of the Committee for the Prevention of Torture in Africa, African Commission on Human & Peoples’ Rights (05/23/17)
- Joint letter of appeal from 104 members of the National Academies to the Sudanese President and Minister of Justice (03/10/17)
- CHR Action Alert: Sudanese engineer arbitrarily detained (03/01/17)
- H.R. Network Action Alert: Sudanese engineer arbitrarily detained (03/01/17)
- Appeal from CHR Chairman to the Sudanese President and Minister of Justice (12/21/16)
- Regular communication with the U.S. Department of State and respected human rights organizations concerning the case, including the African Centre for Justice and Peace Studies (ACJPS), Front Line Defenders, and the Sudan Social Development Organization – UK

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