



**\*\*IMPORTANT\*\***

April 25, 2013

Mr. Ambassador  
Arab Republic of Egypt

Your Excellency,

The International Association of Jewish Lawyers and Jurists (IAJLJ) respectfully addresses you again with regard to Mr. Ouda Tarabin.

Mr. Tarabin, an Israeli citizen, who was sentenced at the age of eighteen to 15 years imprisonment on charges of spying, has already been incarcerated in Egypt for more than 11 years. We recently learned that Mr. Tarabin is in a very distressed state of mind, has lost all hope of being released and consequently has begun a hunger strike.

Mr. Ambassador, we call upon you to intervene in this matter of life and death and bring about his immediate release.

The IAJLJ has been working towards Mr. Tarabin's release since 2010 when it first wrote to the outgoing President, Mr. Hosni Mubarak on this matter. In view of the fact that we did not receive a reply to our letter, in August 2011 we approached the High Commissioner for Human Rights asking her to exercise her power and request that the Government of Egypt arrange for the immediate release of Mr. Tarabin. Our arguments were based on both legal and humanitarian grounds.

Last year, we received a report from the Working Group on Arbitrary Detention at the Human Rights Council which clearly stated that the legal process, sentence and subsequent incarceration of Mr. Tarabin, were wrongful. This report too, called upon the Government of Egypt to immediately release Mr. Tarabin.

Please see an attached copy of the report.

The Working Group's report, together with an additional address to a number of Egyptian Ambassadors worldwide, were disseminated on July 20 last year (Mr. Tarabin's birthday). Unfortunately, these documents too, have remained unanswered to this day.

**We ask Your Excellency to intervene and bring about the immediate release of Mr. Tarabin, for the reasons mentioned in this letter, and many more.**

Yours sincerely,

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