

To: Public Prosecutor Mohamed Shawky Ayyad  
Office of the Public Prosecutor  
Madinat al-Rehab  
Cairo, Arab Republic of Egypt

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Dear Counsellor,

I write to you to express my concern about the continued arbitrary detention of 26-year-old student Oqba Hashad without trial solely for his brother's activism. Since his arbitrary arrest on 20 May 2019, authorities have subjected him to a catalogue of human rights violations including enforced disappearance as well as torture and other ill-treatment through beatings, electric shocks and denial of adequate healthcare.

On 4 January 2024, Oqba Hashad was provided with a new prosthetic leg, which he needs to move unassisted. However, it is unusable, as it is the wrong size. Using it could even lead to further health complications.

I urge you to ensure that Oqba Hashad is immediately and unconditionally released and all charges against him dropped as he is detained solely as a punishment for his brother's activism. Pending his release, he must be granted a suitable prosthetic leg as well as regular access to his family, lawyers and adequate healthcare.

Yours sincerely,