Date: 19 August 2014

URGENT ACTION

BIDUN ACTIVISTS RELEASED

Kuwaiti Bidun activists 'Abdulhakim al-Fadhli and 'Abdullah 'Atallah were released on 6 and 14 August, respectively.

On 6 August, a judge ordered the release of '**Abdulhakim al-Fadhli** who had been detained pending an investigation. However, he will appear before a court in another case on 4 September reportedly on charges including "attacking a security officer".

'Abdullah 'Atallah was released on bail of 50 Kuwaiti Dinars (approximately US\$176) on 14 August: he had filed a grievance on 10 August about the new extension of his detention which contravened Article 69 (3) of Law No. 3 of 2012, which stipulates that the period of remand should not exceed 40 days from the date of arrest. His preventive detention had been renewed four times for a period of 10 days. It is unclear if he will appear in court on charges of "illegal gathering", "disobeying police officers' orders to disperse" and "inciting to gathering".

No further action is requested by the UA Network. Amnesty International will continue to monitor 'Abdulhakim al-Fadhli and 'Abdullah 'Atallah's cases. Many thanks to all who sent appeals.

Please check with your section office if sending appeals after the above date. This is the fourth update of UA 47/14. Further information: http://www.amnesty.org/en/library/info/MDE17/005/2014/en

Names: 'Abdulhakim al-Fadhli and 'Abdullah 'Atallah Gender m/f: m

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