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## **The Chief Justice of Sudan does not stand at a distance from everyone!**

Mr. Omar Hassan Ahmed Al-Bashir, President of Sudan ..

In your speech to the nation on the evening of Friday, February 22, 2019, you said: "I renew the pledge to stand in a national platform, the Presidency of the Republic, to take care of this process, to be at an equal distance from all, supporters and opponents."

It is regrettable that the person appointed as a Chief Justice, Mr. Abdul Majeed Idris Ali Muhammad, by a presidential decree, does not express your statement that he is at an equal distance from all. He is known to be as a member of the Muslim Brotherhood - considering the changes made to the name of the organization - since he was a young student and until now. Abdul Majeed Idris was not a regular member of the organization, he was a cadre of fanaticism and violent dealing with those who disagreed with him.

The post of judge, let alone the head of the judiciary, is the position that must be surrounded by all the guarantees that prevent the assumed appointee, from the influence of any ideological, political, ethnic or even emotional bias of any party to the conflicts that arise. Mr. Abdul Majeed Idris, lacks these basic elements of the judge's work, because of his known ideological, organizational and political affiliation.

- We demand the immediate removal of the current head of the judiciary, Mr. Idris, since the guarantees of the application of justice require that those who knew them do not serve their personal or partisan interests on the public interest.

- We also urge the Sudanese authorities to immediately and unconditionally release all prisoners of conscience immediately, where more than 700 in prisons, of whom more than 100 are women.

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