

Nabeel Rajab (m)

Adoption Status: Adopted by Representative Jim McGovern (D-MA)

Country: Bahrain

Occupation: Prominent Bahraini human rights activist who is the President of the Bahrain Center for Human Rights and the Director of the Gulf Center for Human Rights.



Detained Since: October 1, 2014

Charges: Using information technology “with the intent of inciting to actions, or publishing or disseminating any information, news, caricatures or other images liable to endanger security and its higher interests or infringe on the public order.”

Sentence: Six months imprisonment

Additional: On May 24, 2014, after serving two years in prison, Rajab was released only to be detained again on October 1, 2014 for a tweet that was said to have offended the Ministry of Interior. On January 2015, Rajab was sentenced to six months in prison after being charged with insulting a public institution and the army.

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