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People's Palace, PO Box 281, Khartoum, Sudan

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**Conviction and death sentence for Noura Hussein Hamad Daoud should be quashed**

Your Excellency,

On behalf of the Thompson Rivers University Students' Union we are writing to urge you to immediately quash the conviction and death sentence against **Noura Hussein Hamad Daoud**, and to take into consideration the mitigating circumstances in this case in a retrial with proceedings that fully comply with international standards for a fair trial.

We are deeply troubled by reports from Amnesty International that **Noura Hussein Hamad Daoud** was sentenced to death for killing her husband in self-defence after he tried to rape her for a second time. Her husband's pattern of rape is clearly defined as a criminal offence under the amended Article 149 of the 1991 Criminal Act (sexual contact using force, intimidation, or coercion) and should be seen as a mitigating circumstance that would necessitate a retrial for **Noura**.

We urge you to take this mitigating circumstance into consideration, to quash **Noura's** prior conviction, and to hold a retrial of her case with a fair hearing.

Thank you for your attention to this urgent matter.

Sincerely,



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cc: Advisor Khadija al-Fadil Mohamed Moussa, Ambassador Mahmoud Fadl Abdelrasoul Mohammed, Minister Hamed al-Mannan

