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## **CEASEFIRE VIOLATION REPORT**

**RELEASE OF GOS POLICE  
PRIVATE YAHYA ABDEL KAREEM MOHAMMED**

**BY SLA**

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**CFC CEASEFIRE VIOLATION REPORT NO. 11704: RELEASE OF GOS  
POLICE PRIVATE YAHYA ABDEL KAREEM MOHAMMED BY SLA**

Reference:

A. HQ/ SEC 1/OPS/G Report dated 25 Nov 04

**INTRODUCTION**

1. CFC successfully negotiated with SLA in Beldongo and Karenga on the 07 Nov 04, the release of GoS Police Private Yahya Abdel Kareem Mohammed who had been captured by SLA

2. CFC secured the release of Private Yahya Abdel Kareem Mohammed on the 07 Nov 04. On his release, Private Yahya was interviewed by Team B about the circumstances leading to his capture and detention by SLA.

**ASSESSMENT**

3. Private Yahya Abdel Kareem Mohammed was captured by SLA whilst on escort duties to protect 10 commercial trucks from Nyala to Wadi Sali, about 10

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minutes from the village of Tour. A colleague of Private Yahya Abdel Kareem Mohammed was killed by SLA combatants on the scene of the interception of the convoy, after he disobeyed an SLA order to surrender his weapon.

4. Private Yahya Abdel Kareem Mohammed was detained for 9 days in an SLA prison, chained on the leg. The team could not find any indications of mistreatment of the captive by SLA.

5. CFC handed Private Yahya Abdel Kareem Mohammed over to the GoS on the 08 Nov 04.

### **CONCLUSION**

6. SLA violated Art 2(2) and (6) of the N'djamena Agreement by the following acts:

- a. Ambushing a commercial truck convoy.
- b. Killing a GoS policeman.
- c. Capturing and detaining for 9 days a GoS policeman.

7. CFC commends SLA for the release of the captive.

### **RECOMMENDATIONS**

8. It is recommended that:

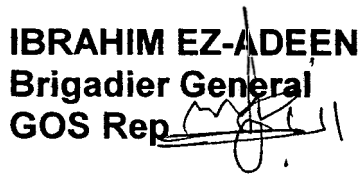
- a. SLA should arrest the perpetrators of this banditry act.
- b. Joint Commission should punish the parties violating the Agreement.

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c. By means of incentives, Joint Commission should encourage parties to release Prisoners of War in compliance with Art 5 of the N'djamena Agreement.

  
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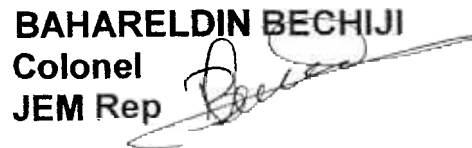
  
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**Enclosure:**

1. Release of GoS Police Private Yahya Abdel Kareem Mohammed by SLA.

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**REPORT ON GOS POLICE PRIVATE YAHYA ABDEL  
KAREEM MOHAMED A CAPTIVE RELEASED BY SLA.**

References:

- A. Humanitarian Ceasefire Agreement of 8 April 2004
- B. HQ Sec1 verbal O of 7 Nov 04

**INTRODUCTION**

1. On 07 Nov 04 the Chairman of the CFC led a delegation composed of CFC representatives from AU, GOS, SLA, JEM, EU and US left El Fashir by helicopter via Kleikel (N 14 ° 06' 99" E 24 ° 57' 40") to the area of Jebel Mara to negotiate the release of the on subject captive. The delegation first landed at Beldongo where negotiations took place, and later at Kerenga where the captive was held. At Kerenga the SLA handed over the captive to the CFC delegation and there after was flown to El Fashir. It is against this background that team B was given the task of establishing the circumstances surrounding his detention by the SLA on 07 Nov 04.

**INTERVIEW**

2. Yahya Abdel Khareem Mohamed is 18yrs old a police man from El-Geneina and was born in a village called Garsila. He has been in the police force for six years. He narrated the circumstance that led to his detention by stating that they were 13 policemen when they left Wadi Sali in a tasked to escort 10 commercial trucks to Nyala. He told the team that the convoy arrived in Nyala safely and spent 4 days there. On the 4<sup>th</sup> day they started their journey back to Wadi Sali, however, at Naama they were warned by the army that the road was insecure but they continued their journey up to Tour. In Tour the convoy commander consulted the army about the situation concerning the road; and was told that the road was not safe to travel. Nevertheless the convoy continued its journey and after about 10 minutes of driving, the two rear trucks were intercepted by the opposition who fired in front of the trucks. He further told the team that, the opposition who were in big numbers ordered them to put down their weapons and he obeyed. He explained that, when ordered to surrender their weapons, his colleague Abdul Khareem Isahak Abdul Fatah who was traveling with another truck was shot and killed after disobeying the order. There after he was ordered to get down

the truck and hand over his weapon and to take off his police uniform. The trucks were then released to continue their journey whereas the corpse of his colleague was left lying on the road. He further stated that the deceased's weapon was taken by the opposition (SLA). There after they drove off the scene with him (Yahya) to their camp where he spent 9 days in prison. He further revealed that he was leg chained by his captors while in prison until the day they freed him to the CFC members. He told the team that he was not interrogated or beaten but he was only told that the commander was coming to interrogate him. On feeding he stated that he was fed once a day in the morning. At the end he told the team that his ID, rifle and uniform were taken by SLA. According to the captive, he was captured on 01 Nov 04 at about 1100 hours and spent 9 days in prison. On 8 Nov 04 he was handed over by Chairman of the CFC to the GOS authority and was received by the Wali in El Fashir.

**ASSESSMENT**


4. Based to the released captive's narration, indications are that, he was on escort duties to protect commercial trucks while on the move. However, when confronted by SLA, he could not do anything other than to obey them. He was then taken as a prisoner of war by the SLA. There were no indications that he was miss treated during the period he was in captivity. He revealed that he was fed only once a day in the morning which may be true because he appeared tired though he was also fasting during this period.

**CONCLUSION**

5. The police man was captured when the N'djamena Ceasefire Agreement was in effect and the SLA should be held responsible notwithstanding the fact that they later on released the captive. The SLA should be informed abduction and detention is forbidden in the Security protocol which all the parties to the conflict signed in Abuja on 9 Nov 04.

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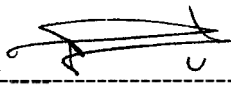
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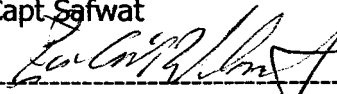
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