

Witness Name: Abdel Khaliq Abdel Rasool Badan

Statement No.: 1

Exhibits:

Dated: 11/08/2014

## In the matter of an investigation into the death of Nadheem Abdullah

WITNESS STATEMENT OF ABDEL KHALIQ ABDEL RASOOL BADAN

## I, Abdel Khaliq Abdel Rasool Badan, state as follows:

- 1. I am making this statement for the purposes of the investigation in the death of Nadheem Abdullah.
- 2. I was born in a summer and issued by Al Uzayr Civil Affairs Department. I specialise in paediatrics and currently work as Manager of the Special Wing at the General Hospital of Basra as well as Deputy Hospital Director.
- 3. In 2003 I was hospital director in Qalat Saleh in morning hours and worked in my private clinic in evening hours in Al Uzayr area 28 km away from Qalat Saleh.
- 4. On the day of 11 May 2003 (I was told the date at a later time) I was doing my routine work in my own clinic. (Approximately in the afternoon) two injured people arrived, one carried in a blanket and that was Nadheem Abdullah. He was in a very bad medical condition.

5. Nadheem was placed on the floor of my clinic bleeding 1 from the head area, almost unconscious and vomiting blood, I noticed. After direct examination it was found he was hit by an unsharp tool, (i.e. a blunt tool) as was obvious from the large bruises (haematomas) all over the skull and other parts of the body (e.g. hands). There were also lacerations around the skull and other parts of the body (e.g. hands). Also, as I mentioned above, I noticed that he was in a confused state of consciousness and his

condition was not stable and his condition was deteriorating in front of me which meant that the injury was so grave he had to be referred to the hospital in no time.

(signed)—there are two other similar signatures as initials which relate to the insertions of the words "e.g. hands" in para 5 above.

6. I urged his relatives to take him immediately to Al Sadr hospital (formerly Saddam Hospital) in Maysaan's Governorate, but due to the critical security situation at the time, it was difficult to take him to the hospital. There was no ambulance that could take him because of the robberies and insecurity on the road then. That resulted in delaying the transfer of Nadheem by his family by around half an hour as I can

remember.

7. Almost two days later (as I remember) I learned from the doctor of Al Uzayr Medical Centre that the injured man (Nadheem Abdullah) had died while on the way from Maysaan to Basra (in an area close to Qurna) being referred to Al Sadr Educational Hospital in Basra which specialised in the surgery of the nervous system as his injury was grave and in the brain.

Allah is witness to what I say.

All the facts I mentioned in my statement are true and this is my statement.

Signature (signed)

Date 11/8/2014

The signing took place in the presence of the witness:

Signature: (signed)

Name: Saleem Abbaas Muhammad Al Haddad

<sup>1</sup> The witness subsequently corrected the word "bleeding" in his oral evidence on 26/9/2014 to mean blood clots as opposed to bleeding.

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