



Three Human Rights Activists Suffer Torture and Unknown Fate by Syrian Authorities

Syrian intelligence arrested three human rights activists from the immigration office...



On Friday, 31 October 2014, Syrian intelligence arrested three human rights activists from the immigration office on the Syrian-Lebanese borders. The activists were heading back to Damascus as they were attending a week-long workshop organized by the UN OHCHR in Beirut. They were taken to an undisclosed place which hasn't been located despite the efforts by SNHR to reveal their fate.

The three human rights activists are:

- **Mr. Jadee' Abdallah Noofal**, head of the Democracy and Civil Rights in Syria Center Jadee' Abdallah Noofal, a 63-year-old human rights activist since 1989. He is the founder of the Democracy and Civil Rights in Syria Center whom he has been managing since November 2012.

He was arrested before by the old regime in January 1992 because of his human rights activities, and he was sentenced to five years with hard labors in a summary trial by the State Security Court in Damascus. He spent his term in the Military Prison of Saydnaya and was released in January 1997.

- **Dr. Marya Bahjat Shaa'bo**, the member of the Syrian Civil Coalition (Tamas)

Dr. Marya was born in 1988. She is from (Shaa'bo), which is known for opposing the Syrian regime as her father is Dr. Bahjat Shaa'bo who spent 10 years in the Syrian prisons and her mother is the left-wing activist Rana Mahfooz who



had been imprisoned for 4 years. Furthermore, many members of the Shaa'bos family were arrested in the previous era over accusation of working with the Communist Work Party, such as (Dr.Rateb Shaa'bo who had been imprisoned for 16 years and Muneer Shaa'bo who had been imprisoned for 10 years).

- **Mr. Omar ash-Shaa'r Journalist**, human rights activist, and editor-in-chief of the English section of "D Press" media news. He was arrested formerly on 11 November 2013 from his house in Jarmana in Damascus countryside.



SNHR demands the International community, represented by the UN Security Council and the United Nations General Assembly, to adopt a binding resolution to release all the peaceful, Human Rights, media, and relief activists who are being detained inside the Syrian regime detention centers and grant the UN Independent International Commission access to the Syrian regime detention centers in order to investigate the horrible allegations about the Human Rights violations inside the detention centers.

