Statement on filing a complaint on an extrajudicial killing case for the United Nations’ Special Rapporteur

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The Syrian Network for Human Rights (SNHR), founded in June 2011, is a non-governmental, independent group that is considered a primary source for the OHCHR on all death toll-related analyses in Syria.

The Syrian Regime Acknowledges the Death of Citizen Abdul Karim Adel al Mbayyed

Who Was Forcibly Disappeared at the Regime’s Hands

The Syrian Network for Human Rights has notified the United Nations Special Rapporteur on extrajudicial, summary or arbitrary executions of the case of the citizen Abdul Karim Adel al Mbayyed, from al Sharqiya neighbourhood in Hama city, born in 1984, who was arrested with his two brothers, Walid and Ahmad, on August 22, 2011, by Syrian Regime forces’ Air Security Forces in a raid on their family’s house in al Sharqiya neighbourhood. On December 4, 2011, he was seen by his two brothers, who were released on the same date, in the Air Security Branch in al Qassa’ neighbourhood in Damascus city. On January 5, 2018, his family was informed by a relative, who is a lawyer, that Abdul Karim had been registered at the civil registry department in Hama city as having died on April 18, 2012.

As is the norm in all such cases, Syrian authorities have not confessed to killing Abdul Karim, while his family has been unable to submit any complaint about his death for fear of being persecuted by the regime security services for doing so.

SNHR stresses its grave concerns for the lives of civilians arrested since 2011, as the number of deaths in regime custody continues to rise.