

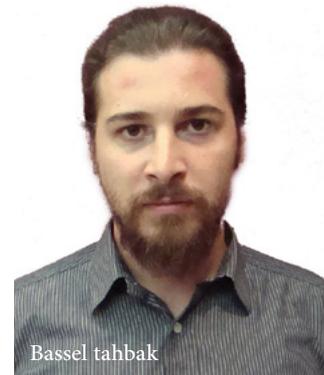


Statement The Tabbakh brothers Enforced to Disappear since 2013

SNHR briefed the UN Working Group on Enforced or Involuntary disappearances, of the case of the brothers Basel Ahmad Al Tabbakh then age 28 a student at the Faculty of Art in Damascus and Zaher Ahmad Tabbakh then age 25 who works as a Mixage technician in a production company, and asked to request of the Syrian authorities to release them, where they was arrested arbitrarily from their house by local committees of the government forces in Jaramana on March 12, 2013, without showing a warrant entitles them to arrest him.



Zaher tahba



Bassel tahbak

The two brothers' family couldn't know where they are or what their fate is even though they've asked the Ministry of Justice and the Ministry of National Conciliation of the Syrian authorities that denied arresting them.

Since the date of their disappearance their family had no news on where they are, up till the date of informing the United Nation Rapporteur on August 12, 2015 their fate is yet unknown.

Syrian authorities deny enforcing the brothers Basel and Zaher Tabbakh to disappear, SNHR were unable to determine their fate until now, as is their family, and they are afraid of detention and torture in the event of repeating questions about him, as happened with many similar cases.

SNHR demanded the United Nations Committee on Enforced Disappearance to intervene with the Syrian authorities for the immediate release of them, and the release of thousands of cases of enforced disappearances and the need to determine their fate.

And despite the fact that the Syrian government is not a party of the International Convention for the Protection of All Persons from Enforced Disappearances, but in contrast Party on Civil and Political Rights, the International Covenant, and the Arab Charter on Human Rights, which enforced disappearances violates both provisions.

SNHR also confirmed fears of torture and possibly death under torture against enforced disappeared since 2011, and the numbers of enforced disappearances still mounting.

