

**Media Advisory**  
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## **Abousfian Abdelrazik embarks on speaking tour in Western Canada**

Between 17 and 23 November 2010, Abousfian Abdelrazik will be speaking at public events organized in five cities across Western Canada. This tour follows the Breaking the Silence tour, which brought Mr. Abdelrazik from Halifax to Winnipeg one year ago.

Mr. Abdelrazik and a member of Project Fly Home - Montreal will be speaking in Stephen Harper's hometown of Calgary, as well as Saskatoon, Regina, Edmonton and Vancouver. On this speaking tour, Project Fly Home will be seeking the support of others to put pressure on the government to immediately lift the sanctions on Mr. Abdelrazik, to ask all UN security council members to support delisting Mr. Abdelrazik, and to withdraw from the unjust and unconstitutional 1267 sanctions regime.

The speaking tour is sponsored nationally by the Canadian Labour Congress (CLC), the Canadian Union of Public Employees (CUPE) Saskatchewan, the Canadian Union of Postal Workers (CUPW) and Canadian Auto Workers (CAW), and locally by a wide range of organizations who were part of the vigorous public campaign calling for Mr. Abdelrazik's return to Canada in 2009.

**Details of the main public events can be found at:**  
[www.peoplescommission.org/en/abdelrazik/](http://www.peoplescommission.org/en/abdelrazik/).

It is now over sixteen months since Mr. Abdelrazik returned to Canada after six years of exile - which included two years of arbitrary and abusive detention and a further year trapped within the Canadian consulate in Khartoum. As Federal Court judge Russell Zinn concluded, Mr. Abdelrazik's initial detention probably took place at the request of CSIS, Canada's spy agency.

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