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To: The Government of Canada

We, the undersigned, are writing to demand the Government of Canada respect the Federal Court decision of June 4 and bring Canadian citizen Abousfian Abdelrazik home to Canada.

The Government of Canada's treatment of Mr. Abdelrazik is disgraceful.

Mr. Abdelrazik returned to the Sudan in 2003 to visit his ill mother. Once there, he was jailed on the recommendation of the Canadian Security Intelligence Service (CSIS) and subsequently beaten and tortured. Although he was eventually released and cleared of all suspicion by both the RCMP and CSIS, his repeated attempts to return home to Montreal have been blocked by your government – most recently on April 3.

In his June 4 decision, Justice Russel Zinn found the Canadian government had breached Mr. Abdelrazik's Charter right to enter Canada. The court also found that the Canadian Security Intelligence Services was complicit in Mr. Abdelrazik's initial imprisonment in Sudan.

As Justice Zinn stated: "He [Mr. Abdelrazik] is as much a victim of international terrorism as the innocent persons whose lives have been taken by recent barbaric acts of terrorists."

The court ordered the Canadian government to bring Mr. Abousfian Abdelrazik home within 30 days.

Mr. Abdelrazik has a paid plane ticket home purchased by more than 200 Canadians. The flight leaves Khartoum for Montreal on Friday, June 12. We urge you to issue the necessary travel documents so he can finally return home and be reunited with his family.

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