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Your Excellency

I am writing to demand the release of Oqba Hashad.

The 27-year-old student has been held in pretrial detention since May 2019, solely in retaliation for his brother’s human rights activism.

Egyptian authorities forcibly disappeared and tortured Oqba and continue to deny him the prosthetic leg he has used since a childhood accident – leaving him physically reliant on others. Held in terrible conditions without adequate healthcare, a new bogus case against him has been opened to justify his continued detention.

Oqba Hashad must be immediately and unconditionally released, as his detention is related solely to his brother’s human rights activism.

Yours sincerely

**Country, date and signature**