

His Majesty Salman bin Abdul Aziz Al Saud
The Custodian of the two Holy Mosques
Office of His Majesty the King
Royal Court, Riyadh
Kingdom of Saudi Arabia

Your Majesty,

I respectfully urge the authorities to drop all charges and close the case against Mohammad al-Otaibi and Abdullah al-Attawi as they are being tried solely in relation to the peaceful exercise of their rights to freedom of expression, association and assembly.

I further call on the authorities to cease the harassment and intimidation of human rights defenders and ensure an environment where they can work without fear of reprisals.

I strongly urge the authorities to explicitly recognize the legitimacy of human rights defenders, facilitate, and publicly support their work, acknowledging their contribution to the advancement of human rights.

Sincerely yours,