

I have a strong concern that 16-year-old Ahmed Ismael al-‘Akkad has been held incommunicado since 20 November 2012, and his whereabouts are unknown.

I urge you to reveal Ahmed Ismael al-Akkad’s whereabouts and to grant him immediate access to his family and lawyer.

I further urge you to ensure that he is protected from torture and other ill-treatment and to give him any medical care he may require, including asthma medication.

I also urge you to ensure that he is treated in accordance with human rights standards outlined in the Convention on the Rights of the Child, including principles for juvenile justice..

Sincerely yours,