

NHRC Statement No. (06/2019)
Concerning the enforced disappearance of the Qatari citizen Ali Nasser Ali Jarallah
and his son Abdulhadi

The National Human Rights Committee has learned from credible resources that the 70-year-old Qatari citizen Ali Nasser Ali Jarallah and his 17-year-old son Abdulhadi have entered KSA under a family permit on Thursday, August 15, 2019, and that they forcibly disappeared since Sunday, August 18, 2019, at 1 pm, in the Eastern Province of Saudi Arabia, after they were arrested by the Saudi authorities and kept in an undisclosed location .

The National Human Rights Committee condemns the enforced disappearance of the Qatari citizen and his son, which violates their rights to liberty and security in addition to all international and regional instruments, especially Article 9 of the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights, and Article 14 of the Arab Charter on Human Rights .

The National Human Rights Committee expresses its concern about the enforced disappearance of the Qatari citizens, especially as the Saudi authorities have recently pursued a policy of enforced disappearance of a number of Qatari citizens due to the political crisis.

The National Human Rights committee holds Saudi Arabia fully responsible for the life, physical integrity and safety of the Qatari citizen Ali Nasser Ali Jarallah and his son Abdulhadi, and calls upon the Saudi authorities to disclose their fate and release them immediately.

The National Human Rights Committee urgently calls on the High Commissioner for Human Rights, The UN Working Group on Enforced or Involuntary Disappearances and the Human Rights Council to intervene immediately to stop these systematic and gross violations against Qatari citizens.

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