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## ICSFT demands the release of

## Dr. Abdul Jalil Senkis, Serving a Life Sentence

Over the past four months, Bahraini militant Dr. Abdul Jalil Sinkis - serving life sentences in Bahraini prisons - has continued his hunger strike.

Sinkis, a professor at the University of Bahrain and a human rights activist, was arrested for his participation in the Pearl Roundabout protests, among a group of political leaders arrested for their role in the 2011 democratic movement in Bahrain. The health of Senkis is seriously declining as a result of a hunger strike that has continued for more than 120 days, as well as the harassment of his prisoners in "Jao" Prison, which has amounted to preventing him from sleeping and the arbitrary confiscation of his research work while in detention.

Despite continued appeals for his release, the Government of Bahrain has not shown any response, continuing its intransigent refusal to release the Sankis militant. However, ICSFT asserts that the continued arrest of Sinkis and Bahraini political activists by Bahraini authorities constitutes a serious violation of human rights. Moreover, the fact that the Bahraini Government continues to be deaf to domestic and international demands for the release of political prisoners is a new cycle of injustice and indiscretion that disdains Bahraini official media and the applause of official law institutions that boast illusory rights achievements at the expense of moral values and humanitarian principles.

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ICSFT stresses the Bahraini authorities' demand for the immediate release of the Sankis detainee and calls upon the Human Rights Council and all international and human rights bodies to exert pressure on the Government of Bahrain to respond to the demands for the immediate and unconditional release of Dr. Abdul Jalil Al-Sinkis and all human rights defenders in Bahrain.

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