

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

Your Majesty,

Raif Badawi was sentenced in 2014 for 10 years in prison and for 1,000 lashes by the Saudi Arabian Criminal Court. On the 6 June 2015 the sentence was upheld by the Supreme Court. Raif is the founder of an online forum called the "Saudi Arabian Liberals" where people could share their thoughts about social and political issues. But in fact, Raif had not committed any crime, he only exercised his right to freedom of expression.

I call upon you to release Raif Badawi immediately and unconditionally, quash his conviction and drop all the charges against him. In addition I urge you to make sure that the flogging is not carried out anymore. Raif Badawi is a prisoner of conscience who has been punished solely because he exercised his right to freedom of expression.

Sincerely,