

URGENT ACTION

SIX MEN EXECUTED IN SUDAN

Six of seven men sentenced to death in 2006 for their alleged involvement in riots at a camp for internally displaced people (IDPs) in Sudan were executed on 14 January 2010. A seventh man had his conviction for murder overturned on appeal.

Paul John Kaw, Abdelrahim Ali Rahama Mohamed, Idris Adam Elias, Naser El Din Mohamed Ali Kadaka, Suleiman Juma'a Awad Kambal and Badawi Hassan Ibrahim were sentenced to death on 23 November 2006 after 13 police officers were killed during riots which took place in May 2005 at a camp for IDPs in Khartoum.

The six men were arrested along with Fathi Adam Mohammed Ahmad Dahab after violent clashes at the Soba Aradi IDP camp in Khartoum on 18 May 2005. The Court of Appeal rejected the murder conviction of one of the accused, Fathi Adam Mohammed Ahmad Dahab. He was convicted of involuntary homicide and sentenced to five years' imprisonment.

The death sentences of the six men named above was confirmed by the Supreme Court on 18 July 2007 and the Supreme Court Review Panel on 27 February 2008, rejecting allegations by the defence lawyers that the defendants' confessions had been extracted under torture. A stay of execution that was granted by the Supreme Court expired on 6 January 2010.

No further action is requested. Many thanks to all who sent appeals.

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