

URGENT ACTION

PRISONER'S BROTHER RELEASED

Tunisian Walid Romdhani was released on 20 January. He had been arrested on 18 January and was believed to be held incommunicado at the Department of State Security of the Ministry of Interior.

Walid Romdhani was arrested at 11pm on 18 January at his home by eight Department of State Security officers and detained incommunicado until his release on 20 January. No further information is available.

His arrest was believed to be linked to his work to expose the torture and other ill-treatment of his imprisoned brother, Ramzi Romdhani (see UA 130/09, MDE 30/004/2009, and follow-up), including his contacts with human rights lawyers and local and international human rights organizations.

No further action is requested by UA network members. Many thanks to all those who sent appeals.

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