

YEMEN

Baha'is

Hamed Kamal Muhammad bin HAYDARA

Date of birth: 1964

Date and place of arrest: 3rd December 2013

Charges: Entering Yemen illegally in 1991 from Iran to establish a Baha'i homeland in collaboration with Israel. Also charged with apostasy and undermining the Yemeni state.

Article of criminal/ civil/ administrative code: Yemeni Criminal Code, Article 125 (violating the independence, unity or territorial integrity of the Republic, punishable by death), Article 128 (working in the interests of a foreign state, punishable by death), Article 195 (insulting Islam, punishable by 5 years in prison), Article 259 (apostasy, punishable by death)

First court decision: Thirteen undated hearings so far, three of which Haydara has been allowed to attend.

Last court decision: As of September 2016, Haydara was still being detained without a conclusive trial.

Other information: Haydara is suspected of being a foreign agent working to undermine the state, hence the use of three charges that stipulate the death penalty. He was born in Yemen in 1964.

Source: <https://www.hrw.org/news/2016/04/01/yemen-bahai-adherent-faces-death-penalty>
<http://www.ohchr.org/en/NewsEvents/Pages/DisplayNews.aspx?NewsID=20635&LangID=E>
<https://www.amnesty.org/en/latest/news/2016/08/yemen-huthi-authorities-must-release-detained-bahais-end-crackdown-on-minorities/>

Nadim Tawfiq AL-SAKKAF

Date and place of arrest: 10th August, 2016

Charges: Unknown

Article of criminal/civil/administrative code: Unknown

First court decision: Unknown

Other information: Al-Sakkaf was arrested alongside his brother Nader, and Kaiwan Mohamed Ali Qadri. The three Bahá'í leaders were detained following a mass arrest of 60 Bahá'ís and non-Bahá'ís across the country at a nine-day event of moral and educational youth programmes in Jud Organization building in Sana'a. At least seven other unnamed Baha'is were also imprisoned on August 10th and were released in September.

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Nader Tawfiq AL-SAKKAF

Date and place of arrest: 10th August 2016

Charge: Unknown

Article of criminal/civil/administrative code: Unknown

First court decision: Unknown

Other information: He was arrested alongside his brother Nadim and Kaiwan Mohamed Ali Qafri. The three Bahá'í leaders were detained following a mass arrest of 60 Bahá'ís and non-Bahá'ís across the country at a nine-day event of moral and educational youth programmes in Jud Organization building in Sana'a. At least seven other unnamed Baha'is were also imprisoned on August 10th and were released in September.

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Kaiwan Mohamed Ali QADRI

Date and place of arrest: 10th August 2016

Charges: Unknown

Article of criminal/civil/administrative code: Unknown

First court decision: Unknown

Other information: He was arrested alongside Nader and Nadim Tawfiq Al-Sakkaf. The three Bahá'í leaders were detained following a mass arrest of 60 Bahá'ís and non-Bahá'ís across the country at a nine-day event of moral and educational youth programmes in Jud Organization building in Sana'a. At least seven other unnamed Baha'is were also imprisoned on August 10th and were released in September.

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