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Ali Aarrass



CONVICTED AFTER 12 DAYS OF TORTURE

In December 2010 Ali Aarrass was forcibly returned to Morocco from Spain, where he had been caring for his aging father. He has been detained ever since.

For the first 12 days Ali was held incommunicado in a secret detention centre, where he was beaten on the soles of his feet, given electric shocks to his testicles and suspended from his wrists.

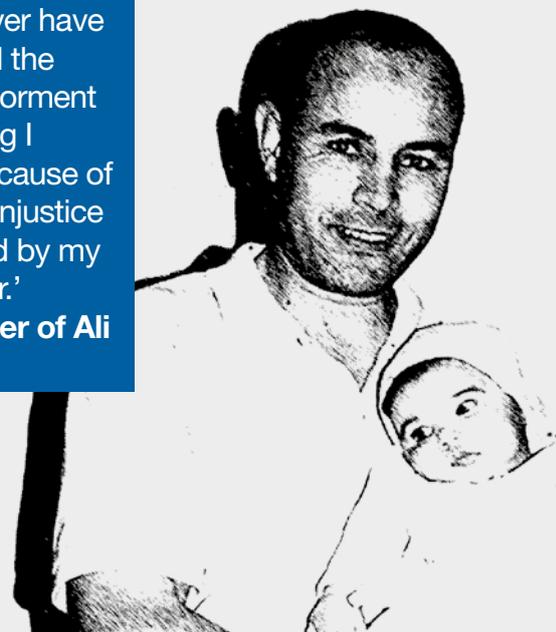
On 19 November 2011 he was convicted on the sole basis of statements extracted under torture for allegedly using weapons illegally and supporting a group intending to commit terrorist acts.

He is now serving a 12-year prison sentence. The Moroccan authorities have repeatedly failed to investigate Ali's claims of torture and ill-treatment.

■ www.amnesty.org.uk/aarrass

'I would never have imagined all the hardships, torment and suffering I endured because of the terrible injustice experienced by my dear brother.'

Farida, sister of Ali Aarrass



SEND A SOLIDARITY CARD TO:

Ali Aarrass
Prison Locale de Salé II
Salé
Morocco

To ensure Ali Aarrass receives cards and letters, please send a copy to his sister:

Farida Aarrass
50 rue Jules Debecker
1081 Bruxelles
Belgium

- **Preferred language** French, Spanish or English
- **Salutation** Dear Ali
- **Suggested message** We stand in solidarity with you and are denouncing the torture and unfair trial you have been subjected to. (French: Nous sommes à tes côtés et dénonçons la torture et le procès inéquitable que tu as subi).
- **Additional information** 19 November is the anniversary of Ali Aarrass' conviction.

CAN I

- Send a religious card or message?**
- Send an Amnesty card or mention Amnesty?**
- Include my name and address?**
- Download the message in another language?**

SEND AN APPEAL LETTER TO:

Urge the Minister of Justice and Liberties El Mustapha Ramid to investigate reports that Ali Aarrass was tortured, and re-examine his conviction.

Write to: Minister of Justice and Liberties El Mustapha Ramid
Ministère de la Justice et des libertés
Place El Mamounia – BP 1015
Rabat
Morocco

Fax: +212 537 73 47 25

Twitter: @MincomMa (Ministry of Communications/ Government Spokesperson Twitter account)

Salutation: Your Excellency

In your letter:

- Call on him to investigate reports that Ali Aarrass was tortured or ill-treated.
- Urge him to implement the decision of the UN Working Group on Arbitrary Detention calling for Ali's immediate release.