

National Institution for Human Rights expressed appreciation for the judgments issued by the National Safety Court

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The National Foundation for Human Rights expressed appreciation for and satisfaction with the judgments issued by the National Safety Court on Thursday when the judge acquitted one of the accused of attempted murder, in addition to imprisonment sentences for some of the defendants for crimes committed during the unrest the Kingdom of Bahrain has witnessed recently. Such judgments reflect the level of transparency and integrity enjoyed by the National safety Courts in hearing the cases before them.

The National Institution for Human Rights stressed in a statement the importance of the continuation of such transparency and integrity in dealing with cases being heard, while emphasizing the importance of ensuring the continued right to litigation and granting defendants all their rights to defense within the guidelines set forth in the Code of Criminal Procedures and the relevant laws, which are to be consistent with the principles of human rights enshrined in international conventions and treaties.

The National Institution for Human Rights also values the Military Prosecutor's decision to release 28 women detained pending investigation, stressing the need to expedite reviewing the position of those arrested pending investigation and ensure their speedy release or referring them to the National safety Courts.