



Denial Statement from the National Institution for Human Rights

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The National Institution for Human Rights (NIHR) wishes to clarify that the news circulating about notifying the families of some inmates about their imminent release is completely unfounded.

NIHR has not made any calls or sent text messages to the families indicating that any inmates will be released in the coming days.

Furthermore, NIHR emphasizes that it operates under its establishment law, which aims to protect and promote human rights, and stresses that its role does not include intervening in judicial matters. Additionally, the power to grant pardons is exclusively held by His Majesty the King and is not within the responsibilities of NIHR.

Therefore, NIHR urges the public to exercise caution and verify news from official sources.

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