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Field Marshall Khalifa Belqasim Haftar

General Commander

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Dear Field Marshal Khalifa Haftar,

**I am writing to express my deep concern over the ongoing disappearance of Libyan member of the House of Representatives (Libya’s parliament) Ibrahim al-Dersi, who went missing after attending a parade held by the Libyan Arab Armed Forces (LAAF) in Benghazi**. His fate and whereabouts remain unknown. Despite confirmation in July 2024 from the Internal Security Agency (ISA), operating under LAAF’s command, that investigations into Ibrahim al-Dersi’s disappearance were nearly complete, the agency has yet to make the results public.

In early May 2025, videos circulating on social media showed Ibrahim al-Dersi shirtless in a dimly lit, confined space with concrete walls, with visible signs of torture. A heavy metal chain and large padlock were fastened around his neck. In the videos, authenticated by the International Criminal Court’s prosecutor’s office, Ibrahim al-Dersi pleaded for his release with General Saddam Haftar, the effective leader of Tariq Ben Zeyad (TBZ), an armed group suspected of criminal responsibility in crimes under international law.

Comments by the ISA in relation to the disappearance of Ibrahim al-Dersi raise serious concerns about the agency’s investigations. One such instance is the agency’s rushed denial of the authenticity of the leaked videos showing Ibrahim al-Dersi, falsely claiming they were fabricated using artificial intelligence. Another is the provision of unfounded or implausible explanations for his disappearance, including allegations that he was abducted by foreign intelligence services.

**I urge you to ensure that Ibrahim al-Dersi’s fate and whereabouts are disclosed immediately. All those reasonably suspected of involvement in his disappearance and torture, including high-ranking officers and commanders, must be investigated and, if there is sufficient admissible evidence, prosecuted in fair trials.**

Yours sincerely,

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