BASIC POINTS TO STRESS

WHY WE OPPOSE THE EXECUTION OF 10 PALESTINIANS BY THE KUWAITI GOVERNMENT

AND WHY YOU SHOULD TOO

Their Trial was not fair and did not meet international standards.

- Primary evidence against them was confessions elicited during torture two years ago.
- Torture methods included beatings, electric prods, ripping out fingernails, drinking urine, putting cigarette butts out on body, walking on glass while barefoot, and more....
- Questioning by Kuwaiti security officials and prosecutors without legal counsel.
- No opportunity to cross examine alleged witnesses.
- Kuwaiti Defense attorneys who have minimum contact with defendants and appear not to have launched a vigorous defense on their behalf.
- Judges appointed by the Emir. Not an independent judiciary.
- Trial in a country characterized by a massive hate campaign against Palestinians and that has just evicted almost 400,000 Palestinians in punishment for the Iraqi occupation of Kuwait.
- Limited appeal, not on par with international standards regarding right to appeal. Appeal will occur within the next 6 weeks.

Under these conditions, their sentences should be commuted by the Emir, if not by the Court of Cassation.