

STOP THE KUWAITI EXECUTION OF PALESTINIAN RESIDENTS

On June 12, 1993 ten Palestinian residents of Kuwait were sentenced to death by the state security council. The charge is "Cooperation" with the Iraqis. One of the accused, Mohammad Daifallah, had been imprisoned by the Iraqis during the occupation of Kuwait when he tried to stop soldiers from looting his family's shop. He was later arrested by the Kuwaiti for wearing a watch featuring the picture of Saddam Hussein. His brother was arrested for attending high school in Iraq. They where both sentenced to death. According to relatives, the political prisoners have been tortured and were beaten each time they were brought to court. Torture methods included beating, electric prods, ripping out fingernails, drinking urine, putting cigarette butts out on body, and walking on glass while barefoot. Their defence attorneys were allowed minimum contact and judges were appointed by the Emir. No cross examination was permitted in front of an independent judiciary. They were granted limited appeal, not on par with international standards regarding right to appeal.

We/ I the undersigned condemn political execution of innocent civilians. We/ I also condemn the lack of due process in the eviction of 400,000 Palestinians.

As Ameican(s), we / I strongly urge the government that we liberated to behave in a more civilized manner.

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