

Dear Ambassador Al-Jishi,

As Members of the European Parliament, we are writing to highlight our deep concern at the execution on Saturday, 27th July, of three individuals following what has been described as a grossly unfair mass trial. The executions of Ali AlArab, Ahmed AlMalali and a third Bangladeshi national, whose identity is unknown, represent a complete disregard for human rights and the rule of law.

As previously stated by several organisations, including Amnesty International and the European Centre for Democracy and Human Rights, we believe that the killings were a shameful display of disdain for human rights and the death penalty constitutes an abominable attack on the right to life and the cruelest, most inhumane and degrading punishment. We firmly condemn these acts of atrocity and express our concern, particularly after several UN human rights experts called on the Government of Bahrain to halt these executions after demonstrating that the executed men had been tortured and did not receive a fair trial.

We urge the Government of Bahrain to re-establish its moratorium on executions and to ensure that victims of human rights injustices receive redress as stated in the UN General Assembly's Resolution on 18 December, 2007.

We would intend to make this a parliamentary matter, in the event that no satisfactory response is received.

We look forward to confirmation of your receipt

Signed,

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