

Colonel General Abdulrazek al-Nadoori
Acting Supreme Commander
of the Libyan Arab Armed Forces
Ar-Rajma, Benghazi
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Dear Colonel General,

Armed men abducted 34-year-old Mansour Atti, a journalist, blogger and head of the Red Crescent Committee and of the Civil Society Commission in Ajdabiya, on 3 June 2021 near his workplace in Ajdabiya, in northeastern Libya. Since then, his family have received no information about his fate and whereabouts, amid credible reports that he is being held by an armed group in eastern Libya. Prior to his abduction, Mansour Atti was involved in efforts to ensure that the parliamentary and presidential elections initially scheduled for 24 December 2021 take place in an environment free of repression and coercion.

According to informed sources, in August 2021, a commander in the 302nd Battalion, an armed group affiliated with the LAAF, confirmed in a private gathering between local tribal leaders and armed groups that Mansour Atti was in their custody but refused to indicate his exact location or allow his relatives to visit or otherwise communicate with him.

I am calling on you to provide information on Mansour Atti's whereabouts and to instruct armed groups operating under the command of the Libyan Arab Armed Forces to immediately release him. Pending his release, he must be allowed access to his family and adequate medical care and protected from torture and other ill-treatment.

Yours sincerely,

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