

To: General Manager of JMC

*Complain: Stripping a Priest of his Koudas T. shirt in the security.office
to come home half- naked in Kadugli*

At the time we are speaking about the peaceful atmosphere created by the Nuba mountains cease fire agreement, stipulating all kinds of freedoms and rights,the government security forces are still carrying out the policy of terror, torture and intimidation against its citizens.

Yesterday, Wednesday 18/12/2002, I Fr. Nassir ibrahim of the catholic church of Kadugli was called to the security office for wearing the koudas T.shirt that says " the Nuba people have a right to self determination" in the office I was forced to take off the T.shirt, or face the consequences, I refused to undress my self in the security office, telling them to come with me to the church in order to change at home after which I could give them the wanted t.shirt. they refused to give me any alternative except to undress right in the office I also refused to remove my t.shirt . then I was locked up in jail for some minutes ; this yielded no fruits.

Now while laying in jail, a certain lieutenant I suppose by name suliman open the door of the jail and came in ordering me to get up with a kick at my ribs. He then call in a number of security personnel I was bitten up by the security mob before removing the T.shirt from my back. I was then left there bear-chest. After the removal of the T.shirt by force, they all scattered. I came out of their compound without any one telling me you can go now. or you are still under detention, so I came back to the church compound bear-chest from the security office.

Bringing this case to the joint military commission, I hope to see that serious measures are taken to insure the freedom of the citizens in the Nuba mountains during this time of the cease-fire agreement.let it also be known that there are similar cases of detention in regards to the kaudas t.shirt question. I also wish to get back my t.shirt as I believe in what is written on it.

With best of my Christmas wishes and a prosperous new year 2003

Yours Fr. Nassir ibrahim