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NEGAD EL-BORAI'S INVESTIGATION SESSION FOR DRAFTING AN ANTI-TORTURE BILL ENDS TO BE SUMMONED FOR AN UPCOMING SESSION

The fifth Investigation session of attorney-at-law and senior partner of United Group Negad El Borai in case number 550 / 2015 known as the anti-torture bill case ended today on Sunday June 5, 2016 at 2 PM. Judge Abdulshafy Othman decided to let him go of the prosecution office until another date is set to continue the investigation. The investigating judge confronted attorney-at-law Negad El Borai with the National Security officer's depositions that was published on June 4, 2016 in Youm 7 newspaper. The officer stated that attorney-at-law Negad El Borai "received funds from foreign organizations to bring down the State and attract youth to establish political movements in order turn public opinion against the State using methods of "non-violence". National Security accused Mr. Negad El Borai aimed "to fund national civil society in order to tarnish the image of the State by publishing false reports about human rights violations in Egypt" and "gives statements to the media that turn public opinion against the State inside and outside the country using the indirect methods of the "minds revolution" that causes its fall".

The National Security officer supported his allegations by Negad El Borai's opinion pieces published in Al Shourouk newspaper as well as statements released by human rights organizations and news published by national and international media that was shared on Negad El Borai's Facebook profile. Attorney-at-law Negad El Borai declared that "it is human rights violations that creates instability, and that torture was one of the main reasons behind the 25 January Revolution 2011 that to be fought. El Borai added that he aims to support the stability, defend the law and the Constitution, a task for all Egyptians led by lawyers.

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It is worth mentioning that Negad El Borai attended four investigation session beforehand, the last one was on Thursday March 3, 2016 during which he was accused of deliberately spreading false information with the purpose of harming public order and interest, establishing and managing an unlicensed entity.

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