

## Statement calling on Houthi authorities to repeal the death sentence against a Yemeni Bahá'í in Sana'a and to release all Yemeni Bahá'í prisoners

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On 2 January 2018, the Specialized Criminal Court in Sana'a, Yemen, sentenced a member of the Bahá'í community, Mr Hamed bin Haydara, to be executed due to his religious beliefs. The judge furthermore ordered the dissolution of all Bahá'í Assemblies, thereby placing other Bahá'í prisoners as well as the Bahá'í community as a whole in imminent danger. Mr Haydara was arbitrarily arrested at his workplace on 3 December 2013 and has since served a 4-year sentence, during which he has been subjected to extensive torture, been denied treatment for consequent medical conditions, and forced to sign papers while blindfolded. His execution, the date of which is unknown, is to be carried out in public.

We call on the Houthi authorities in Yemen to repeal Mr Haydara's court sentence and release all Bahá'í prisoners.

### The 103 co-signatories endorsing the statement include Members of the European Parliament (MEP) and Members of Parliaments across Europe.

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