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11. April 2019

Malak al-Kashef

Dear Counsellor,
Malak al-Kashef is facing the trumped-up charges of “aiding a terrorist organization” and “misusing social media to commit a crime punishable by law” in case 1739/2018. On 10 March, Malak was subjected to a forced anal examination at a government hospital, where she also subjected to other forms of sexual assault by medical staff, according to her lawyer. Amnesty International is deeply concerned that Malak’s continued detention in an all-male facility renders her vulnerable to further sexual harassment, assault and rape by the detaining authorities and other inmates. I urge you to drop all the charges brought against Malak al-Kashef and to immediately and unconditionally release her as she is a prisoner of conscience solely detained for peacefully exercising her rights to freedom of expression and freedom of assembly. Pending her release, I urge you to ensure that Malak is protected from torture and other forms of ill-treatment, including sexual violence, and that her detention conditions are in line with international standards. I call on you to end medical examinations to determine whether a suspect has engaged in anal sex, as such examinations constitute torture.
Yours sincerely,