




His Excellency Idriss Deby  
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Honorable President Deby,

On behalf of the American Mathematical Society, its Human Rights Committee petitions your prompt intervention to preserve the human rights of Professor Ibni Oumar Mahamat Saleh. Professor Saleh was taken away from his home on February 3, 2008 and no official information is available on his whereabouts. If he is in the custody of your government, we request your making known his place of detention. If he has been abducted by other forces we request your taking the necessary steps to locate him. In any case we ask you to make sure that Professor Saleh's universal human rights are preserved.

The scientific community is very concerned with the disappearance of Professor Saleh; he is not only a mathematician but somebody who sacrificed some of his time to serve his country's social and political interests.

Respectfully,

  
Alfonso Castro  
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