

Bahraini Elected Legislators Responded to U.S. Congress Members

MANAMA, BAHRAIN, June 25, 2013 /EINPresswire.com/ -- Bahraini elected legislators sent a reply to the <u>letter</u> received from Congress members on June 7, 2013 on the decision to postpone a visit by the UN Special Rapporteur Mr. Juan Mendez to the Kingdom of <u>Bahrain</u>.

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The legislators said, "the Kingdom of Bahrain is a country of institutions where the law prevails; and that laws, procedures, capacities, and practices have been put into place to fundamentally change the political and

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legislative landscape; while protecting human rights, comprehensive reforms, cooperation with international experts, and the formation of the Bahrain Independent <u>Fact-finding Commission</u> are all steps that manifest the Kingdom's firm determination to attain further progress and development."

The honorable legislators reiterated that the sources for the factual predicates of the Congressional letter are, unfortunately, one-sided and serve as a cloak for a stridently sectarian handful of individuals who utilize partisan falsification of daily events on the ground.

The legislators mentioned in their letter, "We are not, in fact opposed to cooperation with the UN, but rather a long track record of cooperating with the UN in all fields. What happened with respect to Mr. Mendez (two of whose previously planned visits had been postponed once by himself in February 2013, and once at the Ministry of Human rights initiative in May 2013) was that our crucial on-going National Dialogue was lasting longer than expected, and that our Government determined that his visit was likely to change the subject from forward-looking reconciliation to backward-looking recriminations."

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