International Code of Honor Against Torture Signed in Tunisia By Sana Ajmi 09 July 2012

Yesterday, following the conclusion of a bicycle tour to gather signatures for a petition to end torture in North Africa, an international code of honor against torture was signed by the Tunisian League of Human Rights, the Arab League of Human Rights, and the Egyptian and Libyan leagues of human rights.

Tunisian, Libyan, and Egyptian youth participated in the North African bicycle tour to gather signatures, and Tunisia was their last stop.

Throughout the journey, the youth met with government representatives and members of civil society to raise awareness and to promote their petition.

TAP news agency reported that Abdessatar Ben Moussa, president of the Tunisian League of Human Rights, said that the code of honor obligates its signatories to defend human rights and personal freedoms. He also noted that the Tunisian League of Human Rights will spare no effort to ensure that a law criminalizing torture is codified in the country's new constitution.

The code of honor arrived to Tunisia yesterday. According to TAP reports, the journey, which began in Egypt in June, concluded when the final two youth – a Libyan and a Tunisian – arrived in Tunis.

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