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PHRO announced the release of its

General Director Mr. Ghassan Abdallah from custody

The Palestinian Human Rights Organization (**PHRO**) is pleased to announce the release of its General Director Mr. Ghassan Abdallah on Wednesday May 16th noon, knowing that he was sent for by the Lebanese General Directorate of General Security, to subject to a "Security Interrogation" on Monday 14th May at 9:00 AM. Mr. Abdallah accordingly responded on time where he was interrogated for 5 hours and detained for 25 hours, before he was transferred to be subjected before the Army intelligence to be interrogated and detained for 20 hours.

PHRO is grateful for the wide response and role of local, regional and international human rights and civil society organization and diplomatic corps that supported for the release of Mr. Abdallah, and likewise all our friends who responded urgently and voluntarily in a wide campaign that helped in ending this ordeal. **PHRO** will go after the case of Mr. Abdallah, who is a human rights defender, to uncover all the aspects of his unjustified detention.

PHRO is an independent non-governmental organization, established in 1997, recognized in Lebanon under registration no. 36/AD and works for promoting, protecting and defending the Human Rights of the Palestinian Refugees in MENA region. PHRO is a member of the international Federation for Human Rights (FIDH) and the Euro-Mediterranean Human Rights Network (EuroMED rights) and the Arab Organization for Human Rights (AOHR).

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