Israel Releases Palestinian Hunger Striker Khader Adnan



Ramallah, July 13 (RHC)-- Israel has released Palestinian activist Khader Adnan following a deal which saw him end a 56-day hunger strike last month. Adnan had been held for more than a year without charge under Israel's policy of "administrative detention."

Khader Adnan was one of a number of Palestinians arrested after the kidnapping and murder of three Israeli youths last year. It was the tenth time he has been detained without charge.

Adnan's release comes as the Israeli human rights group B'Tselem has released video which appears to show a high-ranking Israeli soldier fatally shooting a Palestinian teenager as he runs away.

The Israeli military has claimed Colonel Israel Shomer, a brigade commander, killed 17-year-old Mohammed al-Kusbah last week because his life was in danger and he had exhausted all other options. But footage of the incident appears to show the teenager throwing a rock at Shomer's vehicle, then running away before Shomer stops, gets out of the vehicle and charges at him. Palestinian authorities have said Kusbah was shot in the back three times.



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