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Celebrating the World Day for Human Rights

Penal Reform International

Karama for Human Rights Festival

organizing a regional panel

“Right to Life and the Arab Spring: Prospects for Abolition the Death Penalty in the Arab World ”

Thursday 8 December, 2011

Amman, Jordan

10:00-10:30 Opening

Mrs. Taghreed Jaber, Regional Director of the Penal Reform International
HE Ambassador Peter Millett, the British ambassador to Jordan (TBC)

10:45-12:00 Session I: Violating the Right to Life: Different Terminologies, One Concept (Death penalty = Murder)

10:45-11:00 Screening for the first part of the documentary "Arab spring and protecting the right to life"

11:00 -11:15 Dr. Mohammed Habash, parliamentarian, Director of the Center for Islamic Studies, Syria

11:15-11:30 Mr. Nabil Ibrahim, Chairman of the Social Democratic Forum, Yemen

11:30-11:45 Prof. Hatem Chaabouni, a member of the Tunisian League for Human Rights board, and member of the Tunisian Coalition Against the Death Penalty, Tunisia

11:45 - 12:00 Mr. Omar Barghathi, President of the Libyan Society of International Law and Human Rights, Libya

12:00-12:30 Discussion

12:30-12:45 Coffee Break

12:45 - 14:30 Session II:

Death Penalty abolition movement in light of the Arab Spring: Development, Opportunities and Constraints

13:00-13:15 screening of the second part of the documentary film
"Wider Protection of the Right to life: Death Penalty Abolition"

13:15-13:30 Dr. Ugarit Younan, founder of the first Arab campaign against the death penalty, Lebanon

13:30-13:45 Mr. Mohammed bin Jdidi, former parliamentarian, a member of the National Committee for the Promotion and Protection of Human Rights, Algeria

13:45-14:00 Prof. Mohammad Arsalan, a former parliamentarian, Jordan

14:00 - 14:30 Discussion and conclusion of the session