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HUMAN RIGHTS DEFENDERS CALL THE SAUDI KING FOR CLEMENCY NOT TO EXECUTE ALI NIMR

SENTENCED TO DEATH AT 20

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USPA NEWS - Ali Mohammed Al-Nimr was arrested in 2012, at the age of 17, during a manifestation of opposition to the regime in the Shiite region of Qatif. "Ali Al-Nimr is a symbol of the devastating injustice of the death penalty! Says Raphael Chenuil-Hazan, director of the association EPCM.

Saudi Arabia is preparing to behead and crucify the young Ali Al-Nimr in a particularly alarming context. The country has executed more than 134 people since the beginning of the year. However, Saudi Arabia has just been appointed head of an advisory group that provides expert for the Council of the United Nations Human Rights. "Saudi Arabia can not claim to be part of influential actors of human rights internationally while floating the most basic of human rights in his country," exclaimed Raphael Cheryl-Hazan. "While Saudi Arabia has taken office in the Council of Human Rights of the UN, the kingdom of justice has confirmed the death sentence of a Shiite militant. Ali Mohammed Bagir al-Nimr was sentenced to death on May 27, 2014. The crimes he "confessed" were committed when he was 17 years old. The sentence was upheld on appeal by the judges of the Special Criminal Court and the Supreme Court, according to his family, which has just been informed of these decisions. All faces execution when the king has ratified the sentence. Ali was convicted of participating in demonstrations against the government, attack against the security forces, possession of a machine gun and armed robbery."? Amnestv International France.----_____

"Any judgment imposing the death penalty upon persons who were children at the time of the offense, and their execution, are incompatible with Saudi Arabia's international obligations," the U.N. Human Rights

group said in a statement Tuesday, invoking the U.N. Convention on the Rights of the Child, to which Saudi Arabia is a party.

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