



# INTERNATIONAL COUNCIL SUPPORTING FAIR TRIAL & HUMAN RIGHTS

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## Report of the International Council Supporting Fair Trial and Human Rights on the Peaceful assembly at Al-Irada Square on Saturday, July 10, 2021, entitled “Saturday of Saving the Homeland 5”

The International Council Supporting Fair Trial and Human Rights followed the peaceful assembly at Al-Irada Square on July 10<sup>th</sup>, 2021, which was titled “Saturday of Saving the Homeland 5”. We noted that the Kuwaiti government used the security forces to restrict the citizens as follows:

**First:** - The local police closed all car parks in the vicinity of Al-Irada Square, despite the repeated appeals from citizens to open them, and to stop restricting people to reach Al-Irada Square, but the authorities did not respond to that.

**Second:** - For the first time during the past five weeks, the security forces, existed near the Al-Irada Square, asked citizens for their IDs to be photographed.

**Third:** - The security forces prevented many news channels from accessing Al-Irada Square.

**Fourth:** - The security forces confiscated the banners that express the opinion of citizens, as well as the speakers.

**Fifth:** - The security authorities prevented citizens from bringing cold and hot drinks despite the weather temperature exceeding forty degrees Celsius.

ICSFT regrets all these arbitrary measures aimed at preventing citizens from using their legitimate right to public peaceful assembly and expressing their opinions, which is a clear violation of Articles 31, 36, 37 and 44 of the Kuwaiti Constitution, the Universal Declaration of Human Rights and the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights signed and ratified by the Government of the State of Kuwait.



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We call on the relevant bodies at the United Nations and the special rapporteurs to carry out their duties, investigate violations, and demand the State of Kuwait to fully respect the demonstrators and all the Kuwaiti people who wanted to express their demands in a peaceful way.

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