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Report of the International Council Supporting Fair Trial and Human Rights on the peaceful gathering entitled “Save the Homeland 6” at Al-Irada Square – Kuwait

As usual, the ICSFT was present through its representative in Kuwait and the Gulf states, international human rights advisor Anwar Al-Rasheed, and the monitoring and documentation team working with him at Al-Irada Square. The team followed up the peaceful gathering of the Kuwaiti people on “Saturday of Saving the Homeland 6”, which is the sixth consecutive Saturday that ICSFT representatives monitor and follow up. Five reports have been submitted regarding this and this sixth report includes the following:-

First: - The car parks near Al-Irada Square were closed to restrict demonstrators and restrict their access to the gathering place. Although peaceful assembly is constitutionally guaranteed.

Second: - It was forbidden to enter any expressive paintings to the gathering place. Moreover, any banners discovered by the security men were confiscated.

Third: - We monitored that an expressive banner was snatched from one of the women while she was speaking to the press.

Fourth: - We monitored the security forces' request from the demonstrators to break up their peaceful stand half an hour after its launch.

Fifth: - The security men's behavior, regardless of the restrictions on those who carry expressive banners, was ethical and respectful in dealing with demonstrators peacefully in general. In this regard, we welcome the security measures which have been done by the government through the Ministry of Interior. On the other hand, we urge the

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government to review its policies towards peaceful demonstrators and take into account all our observations that we mentioned in all our five past reports and this sixth report.

The International Council Supporting Fair Trial and Human Rights reminds the Kuwaiti authorities that the right of peaceful assembly is guaranteed in the Kuwaiti constitution and all international laws. Therefore, we call on the authorities to open the way for demonstrators of different orientations and visions to express their opinion peacefully and unconditionally as a constitutionally guaranteed right in accordance with Articles 36 and 44 of the Constitution and the Declaration 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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