

50 People Slated for Mass Execution in Saudi Arabia



London, December 3 (RHC)-- Amnesty International is warning that, in Saudi Arabia, fifty people including pro-democracy activists and a prominent Palestinian poet are facing an imminent mass execution.

Among those slated for execution is Ali Mohammed al-Nimr, who was arrested at the age of 17 and convicted of encouraging protests during the Arab Spring. Al-Nimr is the nephew of a prominent cleric who has also received a death sentence following pro-democracy protests.

Also facing execution in Saudi Arabia is Palestinian poet Ashraf Fayadh, a member of the arts collective "Edge of Arabia." He has been sentenced to death on charges of "apostasy" for making allegedly blasphemous statements during a discussion group and in a book of his poetry.

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