Sources said that the Bahrain Training Institute (BTI) transferred two accountants out of the Institute and into public schools. They were replaced by expatriates in a campaign the opposition called “cleansing the institute from Shia employees”.

They were assigned jobs that don’t match their qualifications and degrees. Their new title was “computer technician” despite having experience as accountants. One of the accountants was replaced by a Pilipino employee.

Sources indicated that the two employees received the transfer decision from the security guard at the gate. One of the accountants was asked by the guard to hand in his office keys and never come to the BTI again as he wouldn’t be allowed in and that he should check with the Ministry of Education.

The BTI transferred the other accountant to a secondary school and was assigned a job as a computer technician for an online class, which doesn’t match her qualifications and is a demotion. She was informed by the guard about the decision and learned more details from a colleague. The employee immediately submitted a grievance letter and sent it by registered mail to the Ministry of Education objecting to the decision.