Lawyer Abdulla Al-Shamlawi said the public prosecution released Sayed Hadi Al-Mosawi, head of the Freedoms and Human Rights department of Al-Wefaq Islamic society, following an interrogation over insulting a governmental entity.

Al-Mosawi was summoned by the Criminal Investigation Directorate (CID) for interrogation on 24 April 2014 in the CID building. However, as Al-Shamlawi pointed out, after an hour of waiting in the CID, they were told to go to the public prosecution instead.

Al-Mosawi was also interrogated days earlier regarding his talk about torture during interrogation to obtain confessions. The summoning of Al-Mosawi followed the Minister of Interior’s threat of prosecution for whoever talks about torture.

Al-Wefaq said this action aims to terrorize human rights defenders and strengthening impunity policy instead of encouraging citizens to make complains over torture and human rights violations.