Al-Wefaq Society said in a statement that the families of Eker detainees have expressed their concern over their sons’ wellbeing after more than 7 days since their arrest “without news of their whereabouts or charges.”

The families of detainees Salman Isa Ali Salman (31 years) and Ali Maki Ali Salman (26 years) told the Society that on the morning of the next day after arrest they received calls from them which lasted a few seconds during which “they informed them they were fine and the call was cut without informing them of the place of detention.”

The two families expressed “grave fear over their lives because witnesses saw the security forces who arrested them torturing them in the farm area in Eker.”

The family of the third detainee, Shaker Abdulrasool Ali Abdulrasool (41 years) stated that he called for a few seconds next day after his arrest and told them that he was fine and is at the CID building before the line went dead. Al-Wefaq added that Shaker’s family noticed extreme tiredness in his voice when they called. The family is also very worried over his wellbeing as he has diabetes and he cannot see from one of his eyes, therefore, he needs medicines and other medical supplies to protect his other eye, however, the CID refused to receive them.

Human rights and freedoms unit at Al-Wefaq Society directed the families to submit a complaint to the Ombudsman regarding their wellbeing and to ensure that they’re not subjected to ill-treatment or torture.