The Special Investigation Unit said via its Twitter account that it has launched an investigation of the incident captured on the video that went viral on social media. It pointed out that “a member of the Unit went to the hospital to check the injured boy’s condition and to take the necessary measures for the investigation.”

The viral video featured an injured boy’s bloodied face. Hasan al-Ajami, the boy’s uncle, said that they don’t know about his 13 years old nephew Mohammed Mahdi Mansoor al-Sawad’s condition. Mohammed was admitted to Salmaniya hospital Intensive Care Unit after he was injured following clashes in Duraz.

Al-Ajami added “we received the news about my nephew in the afternoon. The family took him to the International Hospital then to Salmaniya hospital where he was admitted into the ICU because of his poor condition.”

When asked about the severity of the injury, al-Ajami said “we don’t know anything about his condition. The doctors haven’t told us anything. Also, there were a number of security forces that came to take his testimony but when they saw the state he was in and how bad his condition was, they left.”
The Ministry of Interior published a statement by the head of Northern Province police on its Twitter account, saying that “security forces confronted rioters and vandals in Duraz. Police were attacked when they were warned to disperse, thus appropriate legal steps were taken to restore order.”

Protests and rallies went on in many areas of Bahrain and were followed by security clashes, including in Duraz following Friday prayers and in Bilad al-Qadeem.