

To: Field Marshall Khalifa Binqasem Haftar
General Commander of **the Libyan Arab Armed Forces (LAAF)**

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Dear Field Marshal Khalifa Haftar,

I am writing to express my deep concern over the ongoing enforced disappearance of 79-year-old Sufi Sheikh **Muftah Al-Amin Al-Biju**, since his arbitrary arrest from his home in Benghazi on 4 February 2024.

Amnesty International learned that relatives were told by unofficial sources that Sheikh Al-Biju was being detained in Gernada prison, near the eastern city of al-Bayda, where his health has been deteriorating since his incarceration. Even prior to his detention, Sheikh Al-Biju had diabetes and a frail immunity system being a cancer survivor.

I urge LAAF to immediately disclose the fate and whereabouts of Sheikh Al-Biju and release him immediately as his detention is linked solely to his exercise of his human rights, including to freedom of religion.

Thank you for your attention to this urgent matter.

Yours sincerely,

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