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in your reply
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Dear *Maria Lourdes*

This is to inform you that Dr. Nawal El Saadawi, the Egyptian doctor, novelist, writer and leading Arab feminist, continues to be kept in prison by the Egyptian authorities. She was arrested in September and has been interrogated about her political views and her feminism.

We think that a continuous campaign for her release should be sustained, and call upon you to lend your name to the International Committee formed for this purpose. Please continue to send protests to the Egyptian Ambassador in your country, with copies to our Committee at the above address.

Yours sincerely,

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International Committee
for the Release of Dr. Nawal El Saadawi

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