

Friday, 15<sup>th</sup> March 2019

**Re: Parliamentary Questions for Her Majesty's Government About the Condition of Human Rights in Kuwait**

I suggest submitting these questions to Her Majesty's Government as a step to pressure the Government of Kuwait to withdraw its laws which reduce freedoms, to investigate whether there have been arbitrary arrests or torture in Kuwait's prisons, and why there are a number of Kuwaitis seeking political asylum.

1. Ask Her Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the findings of the report by Human Rights Watch World Report 2019. What are the independent processes in place to oversee the activities of the courts in Kuwait; and how they assess the progress made in that country.
2. Ask Her Majesty's Government what estimate they have made of the number of political prisoners in Kuwait prisons.
3. Ask Her Majesty's Government about the number of Kuwaiti political refugees in the UK.
4. Ask the Secretary of State for Foreign and Commonwealth Affairs, what recent representations he has made to his Kuwaiti counterpart on human rights violations in that country; and if he will make a statement.
5. Ask the Secretary of State for Foreign and Commonwealth Affairs, whether he has made representations to the Government of Kuwait about on what Mohammad Al-Mail was subjected to because of his political views.

**Your sincerely,**

**Mohammad AlMail**

