On 23 November 2011, the Bahrain Independent Commission of Inquiry Report was published, laying out a set of recommendations for the Bahraini authorities to implement. Recommendation number two called for the holding to account of all regime officials responsible for human rights violations. Six months on, not one single person has been brought forward. On the occasion of the Universal Periodic Review we discuss how we can get accountability for the people of Bahrain, to take the first step forwards towards reconciliation and justice.

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Dr. Taha Alderazi, Leading Bahraini brain surgeon, dismissed from his job for supporting protests
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