

***Al Jazeera* journalists' retrial postponed to March 8**

The trial involving *Al Jazeera's* journalists Canadian national, Mohamed Fahmy, and Egyptian national, Baher Mohamed, was postponed in a session on Monday to March 8.



Fahmy and Mohamed were released from prison earlier this month after spending over 400 days behind bars. An appeals court ordered their release on bail pending their retrial on February 12.

They face charges of defaming Egypt and spreading false news in a trial that involves 18 other defendants, many of whom are being tried in absentia.

A judicial source said the postponement came in response to "requests by the defense" team. The source added that the precautionary measures taken against the defendants will continue.

All defendants are not allowed to leave the country while the case is ongoing. Fahmy and Mohamed's release came days after that of Australian Peter Greste's, who was released and deported on February 1.

The three journalists were arrested in Cairo while working for the Qatari network in December 2013. They had initially been sentenced to prison in June 2014 but a court ordered their retrial in January.

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