



National Co-ordination for the Families of Forcibly Disappeared (CNFD) was established on 25 May 2005 in Algiers, as a response to Algerian president announcing of an amnesty law that was meant to absolve the criminals from any process demanding truth and justice (establishing judicial responsibilities, punishing those responsible, moral and material reparation of the families of the disappeared, etc.). The families of the disappeared got organised into associations in various regions of the country, despite the refusal of the state to recognize them. Thus a platform with 25 demands was prepared. In order to campaign for this platform, various associations of the families of the disappeared in the country decided to coordinate their actions through the National Coordination of the Families of the Disappeared (Coordination Nationale des Familles de Disparus in French) in May 2005. Besides its information activities with the families affected and within the larger society, the NCFD intervenes before the human rights commissions of the UN, in Geneva, where it has a permanent correspondent.