



Justice for the Victims of the 1988 Massacre in Iran (JVMI)

Open Letter Regarding Systematic Executions and Escalation of Atrocity Crimes in Iran

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Your Excellency,

We write to express grave concern over the accelerating use of the death penalty in Iran as an instrument of political repression. Since the outbreak of regional hostilities on 28 February 2026, the Iranian authorities have exploited heightened instability to intensify a coordinated campaign of mass arrests, torture, and state sanctioned killing, in flagrant breach of international human rights law, and have simultaneously cut off internet access for the general population.

The scale of executions has reached levels not seen in nearly four decades. Of particular concern is the targeted execution of [political prisoners and protesters](#). Since 19 March 2026, dozens have been arbitrarily executed following proceedings that manifestly fail to meet even minimal standards of due process. Many were convicted under vaguely defined “national security” charges. At least eight political prisoners have been executed solely due to affiliation with the People’s Mojahedin Organisation of Iran (PMOI or MEK), while at least 11 others currently face execution on similar grounds. Others have been put to death for taking part in protests on charges such as *baghi* (“armed rebellion”) after summary trials.

Senior officials have openly incited this climate of repression. As documented by the Independent International Fact-Finding Mission on Iran (A/HRC/61/60, 11 March 2026), the Prosecutor General declared that all protesters had committed *moharebeh* (“enmity against God”), a capital offence, while the Head of the Judiciary instructed judges to show “no mercy” in protest-related cases. The FFMI has estimated that more than 50,000 protesters have been arrested.

This wave of executions cannot be separated from Iran’s long-standing culture of impunity, rooted in the 1988 massacre, during which some 30,000 political prisoners were extrajudicially executed or forcibly disappeared. The UN Special Rapporteur on Iran concluded in 2024 that these crimes constitute ongoing crimes against humanity and genocide.

We announce our solidarity with the ‘*No to Executions*’ campaign in Iran’s prisons and with the ‘*No to Rule of Executioners, Yes to a Democratic Republic in Iran*’ campaign.

In light of the urgency of the situation, we ask that you call on Iran to halt executions, immediately and unconditionally release all political prisoners, and restore access to the internet. We urge UN Member States to heed the recommendations contained in the Special Rapporteur’s [2024 Atrocity Crimes report](#) in establishing an international accountability mechanism to enable effective investigations into crimes under international law and using universal jurisdiction to hold perpetrators accountable, as well as to condition diplomatic and economic engagement with Iran on a verifiable halt to executions and measurable human rights improvements.

Silence in the face of these atrocities only reinforces impunity. We look to your leadership to ensure that the United Nations acts decisively to prevent further loss of life.

Yours sincerely,

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