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Happy New Year to Everyone All Over the World!

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The Execution of Aqeel Keshavarz is Another Crime in the Shameful Record of the Islamic Republic!

The Islamic Republic of Iran executed Aqeel Keshavarz, a 27-year-old architecture student at Shahrood University. Regime's judicial authorities had convicted him on charges of "spying for Israel," and the official media of the judiciary

carried out his sentence in Urmia Prison today. During the current year, the regime has arrested, tried, and even executed several other

individuals on similar charges.

These executions and widespread arrests are occurring in a situation where the Islamic Republic



is more incapable of governing the country than at any other time. Inflation is rampant, and the majority of people are becoming poorer day by day. Despite all this incompetence, the regime's only way to intimidate society is through repression and executions, in the only area where it has not yet run out of steam. However, the people of Iran have become so awake, aware, and bold that such inhuman and criminal behaviour not only does not frighten them but has even made them bolder. Without a doubt, the voice of protests, in the workplace, in life, and on the streets against repression will be so loud that eventually the regime's leaders will retreat.

The Left Party of Iran, like all those who fight for freedom, social justice, and human rights, condemns the execution of Aqeel Keshavarz. A regime that deprives people of their right to life cannot continue its shameful life. As a left-wing political party and advocate of freedom and democracy, we call on political parties, organizations, democratic institutions, and human rights activists to unite and make their voices heard against these crimes.

Without coordination, cooperation, and unity of the democratic forces, the Islamic Republic will continue its shameful rule and take more lives.

Political-Executive Board of the Left Party of Iran

December 20, 2025.

An Urgent Appeal Regarding the Arrest of Narges Mohammadi and Other Detainees in Mashhad and the Death of Khosro Alikordi, a Human Rights Lawyer



Dear Ms. Mai Sato,
UN Special Rapporteur on the Islamic Republic of Iran

We are writing to you with deep concern regarding the recent arrest and detention of Ms. Narges Mohammadi,



along with several other individuals, in Mashhad, Iran. This wave of arrests is particularly troubling as it has taken place in the context of public mourning following the death of Mr. Khosro Alikordi, a human rights lawyer, whose mysterious, sudden death has deeply affected and is under question for many in the community.

Reports indicate that Ms. Mohammadi and Ms. Sepideh Gholian, along with others, were beaten harshly and detained simply for participating in a mourning gathering or expressing grief and solidarity in connection with Mr. Alikordi's death. The criminalization of mourning and peaceful expression of collective grief represents a serious violation of fundamental human rights, including freedom of expression, assembly, and belief.

Ms. Mohammadi is a Nobel Peace Prize winner and well-known human rights defender whose peaceful activities have long focused on defending human dignity, justice, and fundamental freedoms. Her arrest, alongside others in Mashhad, appears to be part of a broader pattern of repression aimed at silencing civil society and intimidating those who engage in peaceful civic and humanitarian acts,

including mourning the dead.

The death of Mr. Khosro Alikordi itself, and the authorities' response to public mourning for him, raise serious concerns about accountability, transparency, and respect International Relations Work Group of "Hamgami" Coalition for Secular Democratic Republic in Iran for the human dignity of those authorities. The subsequent arrests only deepen fears of systematic violations of Iran's obligations under international human rights law, including the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights.

We respectfully urge you, and the relevant United Nations mechanisms, to call on the Iranian authorities to immediately and unconditionally release Ms. Narges Mohammadi and all others detained for peacefully exercising their fundamental rights, including the right to mourn. We also ask that the United Nations monitor the circumstances surrounding Mr. Alikordi's death closely, the treatment of mourners, and the conditions of detention of those currently imprisoned.

Thank you for your attention to this urgent and grave matter, and for your continued commitment to

the protection of human rights. Should you need further information on the subject, we would be only too eager to meet you live or online at your convenience.

Yours sincerely,

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peace, equality, and, in Iran, the establishment of a secular and democratic republic.

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Environment Iran: Blue Reflections*



Mehdi Ebrahimzadeh

A Pause to Reflect on the Present Moment

Lake Urmia is dying; the Zayandeh Rud has run dry; wetlands have turned not into habitats but into fields of cracked earth; and Mount Damavand is now rarely capped with snow (though recent snowfall has temporarily covered it). These are not merely warning signs for our country and our people. They signal a looming catastrophe and amount to a form of collective mourning.

Social media is saturated with reports, images, analyses, and even “quick

fixes” for saving water. Yet as the volume of information grows, the line between truth and falsehood becomes increasingly blurred. Information, when it accumulates without systems of evaluation and classification, often produces confusion rather than clarity.

Today, the water and environmental crisis is no longer the concern of a small circle of specialists; it is a national issue. People in cities, villages, and provinces across the country confront it in their daily lives, and everyone proposes solutions shaped by personal experience and local attachment. Much like the World Cup, when every viewer suddenly becomes a football coach, the water crisis turns every citizen into an analyst, expert, or policymaker. On the one hand, this widespread engagement reflects genuine public concern; on the other, it exposes a profound confusion about both the nature of the problem and the path to its solution.

The core diagnosis is clear: Iran is facing an unprecedented environmental crisis. But overcoming it will not be achieved simply by piling up more “information.” Information must be

assessed, filtered, and translated into workable strategies. Many prevailing narratives and news items are, in practice, expressions of political, administrative, or regional rivalries. Reducing the water crisis to disputes between officials, provinces, or local groups distracts from its structural and systemic roots.

If we are serious about finding solutions, we must begin by identifying the problems and accepting the challenges.

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