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Dear Mr Gholamhossein Mohseni Ejei,

I am gravely concerned that Iranian authorities are seeking the death penalty in grossly unfair sham trials against at least 26 people prosecuted in connection to the uprising sweeping the country since mid-September.

Their cases fall under three categories:

1. Individuals who have been sentenced to death: **Sahand Nourmohammad-Zadeh; Mahan Sadrat (Sedarat) Madani; Manouchehr Mehman Navaz; Mohammad Boroughani; Mohammad Ghobadlou; Saman Seydi (Yasin); Hamid Ghare Hasanlou; Mohammad Mehdi Karami; Sayed Mohammad Hosseini; Hossein Mohammadi;** and an unnamed individual in Alborz province.
2. Individuals who have undergone trial on capital charges and who are either at risk of being sentenced to death or may have already been sentenced to death. At the time of writing, there was no publicly available information on the status of their cases. They are: **Saeed Shirazi; Abolfazi Mehri Hossein Hajilou; and Mohsen Rezazadeh Gharegholou.**
3. Individuals who have been charged with capital offences and may be either awaiting or undergoing trial. They are: **Akbar Ghafari; Toomaj Salehi; Ebarhim Rigi; Amir Nasr Azadani; Saleh Mirhashemi; Saeed Yaghoubi; Farzad (Farzin) Tahazadeh; Farhad Tahazadeh; Karvan Shahparvaneh; Reza Eslamdoost; Hajar Hamidi and Shahram Marouf-Moula.**

These individuals have all been denied fair trials including the rights to access lawyers of their choosing; to be presumed innocent; to remain silent; and to receive a fair, public hearing. According to informed sources, several defendants were tortured and their torture-tainted "confessions" were used as evidence. State media broadcast forced "confessions" of at least nine defendants prior to trial. The three children are on trial in adult courts, in breach of the Convention on the Rights of the Child, which Iran has ratified.

I urge you to immediately quash all convictions and death sentences, refrain from seeking further death sentences, and ensure that anyone charged with a recognizable criminal offence is tried in proceedings meeting international fair trial standards without recourse to the death penalty and that principles of juvenile justice are observed for child defendants. I urge you to release all those detained for exercising their rights to freedom of expression, association and peaceful assembly. I urge you to provide detainees access to their families and lawyers of their own choosing, protect them from torture and other ill-treatment and investigate torture allegations, bringing anyone found responsible to justice in fair trials. Finally, grant independent observers from embassies in Iran access to capital trials connected to protests

Yours sincerely,  
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