



IRANIAN AMERICAN LAWYERS ASSOCIATION

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Preamble – *“When the violence erupted in the streets of Iran, and as soon as the first signs of Human Rights Violations against peaceful Iranian protesters surfaced, the Iranian American Lawyers Association issued a demand on June 15, 2009 and approved it as a resolution on June 24, 2009, calling for the appointment of an Independent Commission to oversee and address the continued Human Rights violations occurring in Iran amongst other issues. Both the U.S House and Senate have already voiced their concerns in H RES 560 and S RES 196 supporting the values of freedom and individual rights and condemning violence.”*

June 26, 2009

UN Secretary-General Ban Ki-moon
UN High Commissioner for Human Rights Navi Pillay
UN Headquarters
First Avenue at 46th Street
New York, NY 10017, USA

RE: HUMAN RIGHTS VIOLATIONS IN IRAN

Honorable Secretary-General and High Commissioner:

We, the undersigned, urge that you consider the illegitimacy that will be naturally driven from a non-transparent body or commission that investigates the deaths and other Human Rights violations in Iran.

It is of utmost importance that the Democratic legitimacy of any purported government in Iran be transparent and the only way to have transparency that will cease the violence and investigate the Human Rights violations is through an unbiased and Independent Commission appointed by the United Nations.

We urge that you immediately appoint an Independent Commission to identify the Human Rights violations of the Iranian protesters, to include relief and release of all Iranian protesters who were arrested; to determine the identity of the Human Rights violators; redress the grievances and to cause remedies for the victims and their families; and to investigate and address the voting irregularities in order to respect the vote of the Iranian people.

Furthermore, a call for an immediate meeting of the permanent Members of the UN Security and the General Assembly, signatories to Article III of the UN Convention Against Torture to adopt and pass a resolution condemning the Islamic Republic Government's cruel, inhuman and degrading treatment of Iranian citizens.

The sooner the United Nations takes aggressive and independent action against the continued heinous Human Rights Violations in Iran, that have shocked and moved the entire world, the more lives that we can save.

Respectfully submitted,

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