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Freedom For Iran Solidarity Council

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To: Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights (OHCHR)

Hereby, we, the Freedom For Iran Solidarity Council(F²ISC), on behalf of the People of Iran, would like to inform you of our thoughts and subsequent expectations following the recent actions of OHCHR.

The statement made during the opening remarks of the UN High Commissioner for Human Rights Mr. Volker Türk at his press conference at the UN in Geneva on May 24, 2023, where he stated; “I urge the Government to heed Iranians’ calls for reform, and to begin by repealing regulations that criminalise non-compliance with mandatory dress codes.” has made the People of Iran doubt the support of this Human Rights organization in their plight against this violent and inhumane regime. This statement being made following the appointment of the Islamic Republic to chair the Social Forum of the Human Rights Council, which sent a message to the Islamic Regime that its human rights violations against its own people could be overlooked by the international community. Terms such as reform, undermine the costs incurred by the Iranian People, and ignore the message they have been sending out to the international community.

It is extremely disappointing to witness OHCHR giving legitimacy to the Islamic Regime of Iran in an international setting, Mr. Türk’s statement comes at a time when the Iranian people have made it abundantly clear, throughout the *Woman Life Freedom* movement, and have demonstrated to the world that they do not want reforms, but a regime change, that they stand against the entirety of the ruling regime.

Although this message has been broadcast across the International media as well, and while the international community has expressed its sympathy and camaraderie with the people of Iran, we find it necessary to reiterate our demands in the following order;

1. Dissolution of the Islamic Regime in its entirety.
2. Democratic and Free Referendum for a subsequent governing system.
3. Establishment of a transitional government while a new, modern, secular and democratic constitution is drafted and accepted by the nation through a democratic referendum.
4. Establishment of a democratic government after the transitional period through democratic elections.

The actions thus far taken by the OHCHR bring doubt as to the understanding and support promised by this organization for a people whose government is using every means at its disposal to silence and



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suppress dissent. The people of Iran must have the support of the international community as well as human rights advocacy organizations in order to be able to topple this regime, and create a safe transitional environment which can lead to democratic and free elections. This appointment, along with the statement made by Mr. Türk, suggests that relying on the international community could compromise and undermine the goals of our revolution.

We therefore request that OHCHR take heed, and choose their words and actions in a manner which would corroborate with their support of the People of Iran, instead of providing a platform for the Islamic regime to further legitimize its violent suppression of a people whose only crime is the wish to be free.

Your understanding and continued support is highly appreciated,

Sincerely,

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