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Call for Action

**Demanding Immediate Release of All Political Prisoners and
an End to Execution in Iran**

on

20 June 2011

International Day of Support for Political Prisoners in Iran

The discrimination inherent in the Islamic Republic's Constitution perpetuates crackdown on all voices of dissent. It has led to the imprisonment, over the past 31 years, of tens of thousands of political and civil rights activists. Thousands have been executed over this period – just over 200 were killed by government thugs in the streets or executed during the bloody uprising in the aftermath of the June 2009 contested presidential elections.

Torture, rape, stoning, forced confessions, and continued arbitrary arrests and executions, now more than ever, justify international outrage. As such, we call upon governments worldwide to condemn the Iranian government for these atrocities. Not just the actions of some Iranian officials, but the entire Islamic Republic of Iran must be held accountable, followed by meaningful, concerted actions by world powers: diplomatic sanctions including closure of regime embassies.

In response to the international call for solidarity with Iran's political prisoners on 20 June 2011, the Action for Democracy and Human Rights in the Middle East will participate in human rights rallies, mobile rallies, and action tables at college campuses in the Washington DC metropolitan area.

We specifically demand the immediate and unconditional release of all political prisoners and an end to all executions in Iran.

We call on all peace loving citizens and organizations around the globe to condemn human rights violations committed by the Islamic Republic and ask them to join us in recognizing June 20 as the International Day of Support for Political Prisoners in Iran by joining or organizing local actions worldwide. The international community must hold the Iranian government responsible for its repeated human rights violations.

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