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Condemnation Letter
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Iranian Civil Disobedience

To the European Nations:

Masses of the Iranian people have spoken out this past November against the criminal regime of the Mullahs in Tehran. They have taken to the streets of Tehran, Shiraz, Isfahan, Qom, Mashhad, Sirjan, Birjand, Tabriz, and many more cities, demanding the end of the invading tyrants reigning over the land where Cyrus the Great ruled and established the first declaration of human rights in the civilized world approximately 2,500 years ago.

The sudden 300% rise in gasoline prices across Iran may have triggered the current protests against the Islamic Republic, but it is quite evident that the young and the old, the poor and the middle class assembled on the streets across Iran are chanting for the end of the oppressive regime.

The Islamic regime, faced with a new threat to its existence, is once again taking inhumane steps to silence its civilians by indiscriminate killings while blocking the dissemination of news of their criminal behavior to the outside world by shutting down access to the Internet across Iran. This Internet shutdown continues more than two weeks from the start of the protests in some parts of Iran.

According to the US State Department and international human rights groups, over 1,000 unarmed civilians, including women and children, were killed by the regime using military weapons by the direct order of Islamic Supreme Leader Khamenei!

Over 7,000 have been injured and more than 13,000 have arrested so far in one of the worst humanitarian disasters of recent times.

This is all happening while most of the European countries including the Scandinavian Nations and the international media have turned away from the ongoing plight of the innocent civilians in Iran who are being shot at from the roof tops by the Iranian armed forces or by the Iranian Revolutionary Guard Corps. In the Pars province, the regime has used tanks and other military weapons to kill innocent people fleeing for their lives. Now after the crackdown the regime is trying to buy the blood of these innocent people by paying ransom to the victim's families!

It is further disturbing when the free world and the international organizations are blatantly ignoring the wounded. Instead of being taken to hospitals for immediate medical treatment, the first responders are under orders to take the wounded to make-shift detention centers erected by the regime around the urban areas.

It is imperative for the European government leaders to take immediate action to help the innocent Iranians across the country, while encouraging the other world leaders to follow suit. Otherwise, the well-designed United States economic sanctions against the mullahs and the courage of the Iranian people calling for the demise of the regime will be in vain. The Scandinavian nation's recent decision to join the Instrument in Support of Trade Exchanges (Instex), a mechanism to promote trade with the Iranian regime, may send the message to the mullahs in Tehran that The Scandinavian and other members of Instex are willing to ignore the brutal nature of the Iranian regime. We condemn those European nations that initiated the Instex and the new nations recently joining it.

We, proud Americans of Iranian descent, stand shoulder to shoulder with our fellow Iranians in their aspiration to live in a free and democratic society. We urge your governments to withdraw from the Instex and to support those in Iran who are risking their lives to protest the Iranian regime.

Sincerely,
Zohreh Mizrahi
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