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In the name of God, the Compassionate, the Merciful

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The Permanent Mission of the Islamic Republic of Iran to the United Nations Office and other International Organizations in Geneva presents its compliments to the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights, and with reference to the notes: G/SO 218/2 dated 29 December 2014, UA IRN 28/2014 dated 25 November 2014 and UA G/SO 214 (67-17) Health (2002-7) Iran (2011-16) G/SO 214 (53-24) IRN 4/2014 dated 24 March 2014 with regard to Mr. Mohammad Reza Pourshajari's case, has the honor to submit herewith the response of the Islamic Republic of Iran.

The Permanent Mission of the Islamic Republic of Iran to the United Nations Office and other International Organizations in Geneva avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights, the assurances of its highest consideration.



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The following information has been provided by the "High Council for Human Rights of the Judiciary of the I.R. of Iran":

"Mr. Mohammad Reza Pourshajari was arrested on 2010 and prosecuted on charges of acting against national security and insulting and defamation of religious sanctities including the Holly Prophet and was sentenced to four years of imprisonment. After serving his four-year jail, he was released in august 2014.

On October 2014, he was arrested and sued again on charges of embarking on propaganda against the Islamic Republic of Iran and futile attempt to illegally leave the country. Hence, a file has been made in the Karaj province court and the accused person is currently being held in Karaj prison custody and waiting for trial. His judicial case is under investigation. It should be notified that after his arrest, a judicial order has been issued based on which, Mr. Pourshajari could be released on bail (in amount of 500 million Rials) until his trial, but due to his failure to provide, he is still in custody.

With regard to his health situation, it should be noted that after expressing his illness, he was dispatched to Shariati hospital in Tehran and was hospitalized for three days; and he was released after being treated. At the moment, his general health condition has been reported satisfactory, and his health condition is under control.

With regard to the alleged arbitrary detention of the said person, it should be said that this allegation is utterly baseless and alleged mental and physical torture and lack of access to medical care is hereby refuted. "