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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 note: AL G/SO 218/2 G/SO 214 (67-17) Assembly & Association (2010-1) G/SO 214 (107-9) G/SO 214 (3-3-16) Iran (2011-16) G/SO 214 (53-24) IRN 10/2013 dated 5 July 2013, has the honor to submit herewith the replies of I.R. Iran with regard to Messrs. Khosro and Masood Kordpoor, Mr. Afshin Keshtkari and Ms. Jamile Karimi cases.

The Permanent Mission of the Islamic Republic of Iran 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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According to the Judiciary's High Council for Human Rights:

- Messrs Khosro and Masood Kordpoor had contacted a number of local Western Azerbaijan attorneys to collect information on ongoing investigation of cases involving members of counter revolutionary groups and passing the above information to members and leaders of Pejak, Komole and Demokrat, terrorist groups. Posing as Kurdistan human rights activists, the Kordpoors were working with terrorist networks. Following their arrest and the completion of investigations, Mr. Masood Kordpoor was charged with committing a crime against national security, engaging in anti state propaganda and circulation of falsehoods to disturb public opinion. Mr. Khosro Kordpoor was charged with the crime of Moharebeh for his activities and effective collaboration with parties and groups that are enemies of the state (terrorists). The Kordpoors will be prosecuted by the city of Mahabad's Islamic Revolution court and the dossier containing their charges has been queued for processing.
- Mr. Afshin Keshtkari has been tried on charges of engaging in activities that were against the system of the Islamic Republic of Iran and in favor of counter revolutionary groups. Mr. Keshtkari was also charged with the establishment of and membership in illegal groups with the aim of disturbing national security. After hearing his defense and that of his attorney, the court sentenced Mr. Keshtkari to 3 years in prison. Mr. Keshtkari later appealed his verdict. After reviewing the preliminary verdict, the appeals court dismissed Mr. Keshtkari's appeal; however it suspended 2.5 years out of the original 3 year prison sentence but confirmed the remaining six month. The above sentence was carried out on 18 May 2013.
- Ms. Jamile Karimi (a retired Ministry of Education employee), was arrested on charges of establishing an illegal group and acting against domestic security. She was further charged with working against the system of the Islamic Republic of Iran and in favor of counter revolutionary groups. Following the completion of preliminary investigations and modification of her temporary arrest order to bail; Ms. Karimi was released on 1 July 2013.