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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 High Commissioner for Human Rights, and in response to its letters of 19 April 2016 (Ref: UA IRN 8/2016) and 22 July 2016 (Ref: UA IRN 21/2016) has the honor to submit herewith the reply of the Islamic Republic of Iran with regard to Ms. Narges Mohammadi.

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 High Commissioner for Human Rights, the assurances of its highest consideration.



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According to the information received from Tehran Department of Justice, **Ms. Narges Mohammadi** was sentenced to one year in prison on the charge of spreading propaganda against the State and five years on the charge of assembling and collusion with the aim of acting against national security based on the final verdict issued by Tehran Appeal Court.

Founded on the request by the judge of Enforcement Court and in order to implement Article 134 of the Islamic Penal Code (adopted and came into force in 2013) ,concerning application of the most severe punishment instead of total sum of sentences, she was sentenced to only five years in prison and is currently serving her sentence in Evin Prison.

It should also be mentioned that upon her request, she was transferred to women ward of Zanjan Prison on 16 May 2012 to facilitate visits by her family. Like other prisoners, she benefitted from amenities and medical facilities of health center of the prison or even outside the Zanjan's prison compound. She was sent on a temporary leave outside of the prison on 6 August 2012, but did not return after termination of her leave. After a long absence, considering her relieve, she was again arrested on 5 May 2015 and sent back to Evin Prison to serve the rest of her sentence in accordance with law.

According to information received regarding the health status of Ms. Mohammadi, her health condition is under periodical review, like other prisoners. For instance, she was sent to Tehran Taleghani Hospital on Saturday 1 August 2015 for medical treatment. Consequently, she was transferred to the hospital on Sunday, 11 October 2015 in order to complete her treatment. The records show that in the past months, she had

visitation with her family more than 30 times and has been several times dispatched to hospitals and medical centers even outside the prison.

It is worth mentioning that she was sent to a hospital of her family's choice where former physicians familiar with Ms. Mohammadi's medical case are working. It can be seen that Maximum cooperation for her treatment has been performed and allegations contained in the communication are untrue.

It should be noted that her numerous offences of law has nothing to do with a legal social activity and the above-mentioned verdict is issued based on legal standards. Also regarding the recent allegations raised, initial proceedings is conducted and no final verdict has been issued so far by any court. For this reason, any comment on her case is prejudice. Furthermore, since the charges are legal and judicial proceedings are being implemented, the claim of her arbitrary arrest is also incorrect and refuted.