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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 latter's Communication No. AL IRN 14/2021 dated 27 May 2021 concerning **Yasaman Aryani, Monireh Arabshahi, Mojgan Keshavarz, Atena Daemi, Golrokh Iraee, Saba Kord Afshari, Nasrin Sotoudeh, Raheleh Ahmadi, Sepideh Gholian, Zeinab Jalalian and Maryam Akbari Monfared**, has the honor to transmit, herewith, the comment of the Judiciary of the Islamic Republic of Iran in that regard.

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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**Comment**

**By**

**The High Council for Human Rights**

**Of**

**The Islamic Republic of Iran**

**Regarding Yasaman Aryani, Monireh Arabshahi, Mojgan Keshavarz, Atena Daemi, Golrokh Iraee, Saba Kord Afshari, Nasrin Sotoudeh, Raheleh Ahmadi, Sepideh Gholian, Zeinab Jalalian and Maryam Akbari Monfared**

The comments enumerated hereunder are provided for further clarification regarding **Yasaman Aryani, Monireh Arabshahi, Mojgan Keshavarz, Atena Daemi, Golrokh Iraee, Saba Kord Afshari, Nasrin Sotoudeh, Raheleh Ahmadi, Sepideh Gholian, Zeinab Jalalian and Maryam Akbari Monfared:**

The convicts, on the strength of Article 513 of the Code of Criminal Procedure, shall be transferred to prisons located in either their place of residence or serve their prison sentence in the nearest judicial jurisdiction in the province. Furthermore, as stipulated in Note 3 of the said Law: “If the place of residence of the person sentenced to imprisonment is outside the jurisdiction of the court issuing the sentence, the convict shall be transferred to the prison of his/her place of residence to service his/her prison sentence. Unless this causes corruption, in which case, the convict shall – at the discretion of the judge issuing the final verdict – be transferred to the nearest prison to his place of residence.”

Therefore, taking into consideration the aforementioned Law as well as the Note thereof, and bearing in mind that abidance by the abovenamed Law is obligatory, necessary measures have been implemented for the aforesaid convicts.

With respect to the fact that the place of residence of Yasaman Aryani, Monireh Arabshahi, Mojgan Keshavarz, Atena Daemi, Golrokh Iraee, Saba Kord Afshari, Nasrin Sotoudeh and Raheleh Ahmadi is located near prisons named in the

joint communication, the transfers of the aforesaid have taken place in complete accordance with Article 513 of the Code of Criminal Code of Procedure and the Note attached thereto – and with full observance of the gender segregation of convicts as well as *actus rea* thereof.

Moreover, by virtue of the aforesaid Note, Sepideh Gholian, Zeinab Jalalian and Maryam Akbari Monfared have all been transferred to the nearest prisons located in their place of domicile; therefore, there has been no deviation of the said Law.