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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 35/2021 dated 30 December 2021 concerning Ms. Leila Hosseinzaehdeh and Mr. Hirad Pir Bodaqi, has the honor to transmit, herewith, the comment of the High Council for Human Rights 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 considerations.
In the Name of God, the Most Compassionate, the Most Merciful

Comment

By

The High Council for Human Rights of the Islamic Republic of Iran

Concerning Ms. Leila Hosseinzadeh and Mr. Hirad Pir Bodaqi

(Joint Communication AL IRN 35/2021, dated 30 Dec 2021)

A. Ms. "Leila Hosseinzadeh" was charged with "association and colluding with the intention of action against the security of the country " due to actions such as contacting and being a member of unlawful and hostile outfits, launching propaganda against the state, supporting the riots of the summer of 1400, etc. and thus was summoned to the prosecutor's office by the investigator on 05 December 2021 on the strength of compelling proofs and evidence. According to the contents of the case:

Firstly, she was apprehended with a judicial order and in compliance with all the rules and rights of citizens. In presence of a judicial authority, all her defense rights, including the right to have a lawyer, the right to remain silent, etc. was explained to the aforementioned in line with articles 199, 195, 190, 194 of the Code of Criminal Procedure.

Secondly, regarding the allegations of solitary confinement and torture, no signs of torture were detected during the detention if the forensic medical certificate is anything to go by.

Thirdly, during the time of detention, she had the right to have two lawyers and her defense lawyers had access to the file and repeatedly sent their bills which have been attached them to the file.

Fourthly, as regards her physical health status and access to medical and health services, the presence of a doctor in the mentioned prison means she has been examined continuously and according to the order of the investigator, as further confirmed in the file, medical and
pharmaceutical facilities are at her disposal. She was reported to be in perfect health during her term in prison.

Fifthly, no records of the disappearance of the accused were found. According to the contents of the case, due to her apprehension at her place of residence and her direct presence at the investigation branch, her relatives were duly informed about the matter and she has met her family twice during this period.

Sixthly, based on the forensic medical certificate stating that she is unable to serve incarceration, the named person has been released by the order of the judicial authority upon posting a bail on 03 March 2022.

2. Mr. "Hirad Pir Bodaqi" was charged with "association and colluding with the intention of action against the security of the country " due to actions such as launching propaganda against the state, supporting hostile outfits, etc. and thus was apprehended on 07 November 2021 on the strength of compelling proofs and evidence. According to the contents of the case:

Firstly, he was apprehended with a judicial order and in compliance with all the rules and rights of citizens. In presence of a judicial authority, all his defense rights, including the right to have a lawyer, the right to remain silent, etc. was explained to the aforementioned in line with articles 199, 195, 190, 194 of the Code of Criminal Procedure.

Secondly, his allegations of being tortured and coerced in confessing during the detention period is an outright lie; According to the forensic medical certificate, no signs of torture were detected during the detention.

Thirdly, as regards his physical health status and access to medical and health services, the presence of a doctor in the mentioned prison means he has been examined continuously and medical and pharmaceutical facilities are at his disposal. He was reported to be in perfect health during his term in prison.

Fourthly, the named person has been released by the order of the judicial authority upon posting a bail on 22 December 2021.