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Your Excellency,

I am writing to you concerning **Narges Mohammadi**, the renowned Nobel Peace laureate and human rights activist. She is the former vice-president of the Center for Human Rights Defenders (CHRD), which had reported on violations of human rights in Iran. The CHRD had also provided pro-bono legal representation to political prisoners and supported their families before it was forcibly closed by the Iranian authorities in December 2008. Narges Mohammadi also advocated for the abolition of the death penalty in Iran.

Narges Mohammadi was detained in November 2021 while attending a peaceful memorial service for people killed by Iranian security forces during nationwide protests in November 2019. In January 2022, following a grossly unfair trial that lasted just five minutes, a Revolutionary Court convicted her on charges including “colluding to commit crimes against national security” and “disrupting public order”. She was sentenced to eight years and two months in prison, 74 lashes and bans on her activities. This sentence was in addition to the one imposed in May 2021 of 30 months in prison, 80 lashes, and a fine for “spreading propaganda against the system”. Since May 2021, Narges Mohammadi has been incarcerated in Tehran’s Evin prison, where her health has steadily deteriorated. Narges has not seen her husband and twin daughters for several years.

During an attack in Evin prison on 6th August, security forces physically assaulted several women prisoners, including Narges Mohammadi, who was struck several times on her chest and collapsed to the ground. She was left bloodied and bruised. She and other injured prisoners need medical care but authorities have so far refused to provide them with adequate healthcare or transfer them to a hospital for treatment.

I urge you to ensure Narges Mohammadi is immediately provided with specialized care for her health conditions in an appropriate medical facility outside prison. Any delay in medical care is putting her health at great risk, particularly as she has serious ongoing heart and lung conditions.

Further, I urge you to quash Narges Mohammadi’s sentence and release her from prison immediately and unconditionally, overturning all her convictions.

Yours sincerely,

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