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Please quash the death penalty convictions in relation to the January 2026 protests

Dear Mr Gholamhossein Mohseni Ejei,

I am writing to express grave concerns about **at least 27 individuals** who are facing the death penalty in relation to alleged offences committed in the context of the January 2026 protests. They include six people sentenced to death within weeks of their arrests – Mohammad Amin Biglari, Ali Fahim, Abolfazl Salehi Siavashani, Shahin Vahedparast Kolor, Shahab Zohdi and Yaser Rajaifar. Others being tried in fast-tracked grossly unfair proceedings for capital offences include Mohammad Abbasi; Mohammadreza Tabary; Ehsan Hosseinipour Hesarlou and two 17-year-old children, Matin Mohammadi and Erfan Amiri, who as children must be excluded from the imposition of the death penalty under international law. On 12 February 2026, a Revolutionary Court judge in Tehran told 14 others, including protester Abolfazl Karimi that “they are being sentenced to death”. The organization has also learned that Danial Niazi has been charged with a capital offence. Interrogators told two others – Shervin Bagherian Jebeli and Amirhossein Azarpira – that they will face the death penalty. Amnesty International believes the real number of those at risk is much higher as authorities systematically warn families against speaking out, deny those detained access to lawyers during investigations and refuse to recognize lawyers appointed by families in trial proceedings.

I urge you to immediately quash the convictions and death sentences; refrain from imposing death sentences and ensure that anyone charged with a recognizable criminal offence is tried in accordance with international fair trial standards without recourse to the death penalty and excluding statements obtained under torture and other ill-treatment or without a lawyer present. I also urge you to release all those detained solely for exercising their human rights including the right of peaceful assembly and expression; protect all detainees from torture and other ill-treatment and investigate claims; disclose the fate and whereabouts of individuals forcibly disappeared; grant access to families, lawyers of their own choosing, adequate defence facilities and medical care; and allow international monitors, including UN Special Procedures and International Fact-finding Mission on Iran, access to detention facilities and trial sessions.

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