

URGENT ACTION



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Note: Please write on behalf of these persons even though you may not have received the original UA when issued on March 13, 2008. Thanks!

29 May 2009

Further Information on UA 71/08 (13 March 2008) and follow-ups (19 August 2008; 14 October 2008; 26 May 2009) – Death Penalty

IRAN	Naser Qasemi (m), aged 23]
	Mohammad Reza Haddadi (m), aged 20] alleged juvenile offenders

The execution of Mohammad Reza Haddadi was halted by the head of the judiciary the day it was due to take place. The Supreme Court, which had ordered that the case be reviewed, will proceed with its review.

There is still no news about Naser Qasemi, who was sentenced to death for a crime committed when he was 15.

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Please send appeals to arrive as quickly as possible:

- welcoming the news that Mohammad Reza Haddadi's execution has been halted;
- urging the authorities to commute his death sentence;
- expressing concern for Nasser Qasemi, who is facing execution for a crime he is alleged to have committed when he was 15;
- reminding them that Iran is a state party to the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights and the Convention on the Rights of the Child, which prohibit the use of the death penalty against people convicted of crimes committed when they were under 18.



APPEALS TO:

Head of the Judiciary

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**(In the subject line write: FAO Ayatollah
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Salutation: Your Excellency

Judiciary spokesperson

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Salutation: Dear Sir

Leader of the Islamic Republic

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Salutation: Dear Mr Larijani

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United States. Instead, please send copies to:

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PLEASE SEND APPEALS IMMEDIATELY.

Check with the AIUSA Urgent Action office if sending appeals after 9 July 2009.