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Hon. Charles Michel, President of the European Council

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As you are aware, in September of last year, Mahsa Amini was killed by the oppressive Islamic Revolutionary Guard Corps (IRGC), igniting the fury of millions of Iranians who have endured more than four decades of suppression, torture, and executions under the ruling religious-fascist regime in Iran. This sparked nationwide uprisings, with the people of Iran demanding the overthrow of the current government.

The Iranian regime, facing internal and international isolation, grapples with new crises every day. It sees the only way out of this impasse as attacking and annihilating its organized alternative, the National Council of Resistance of Iran (NCRI), and the People's Mojahedin Organization of Iran (PMOI/MEK).

Recently, the Iranian regime orchestrated a sham case against the MEK, leading to a violent attack on the residents' quarters in Ashraf-3, resulting in the death of one person and injuring dozens. The European Union's silence in the face of such violations of refugees' rights on this continent will undoubtedly embolden and permit the spread of lies and black propaganda against the Iranian Resistance.

It is worth mentioning that on July 29, 2023, the Judiciary of the Iranian regime issued arrest warrants against the MEK and 104 individuals associated with the organization, demanding the extradition of these individuals and accusing them mostly of seeking refuge or residing in European countries or Ashraf-3 in Albania for the past four decades.

The Iranian regime, in its state of vulnerability and fearing the growing uprising and its incapacity to suppress and annihilate the MEK and its organized units inside the country, seeks to pave the way for restricting the organized opposition abroad or even carrying out terrorist operations against them through such fabricated cases.

The European Union, founded on democracy, human rights, and the rule of law, must firmly stand against any attempt to suppress legitimate opposition and silence dissenting voices. We support the Iranian Resistance's call for the establishment of an international tribunal to hold the Iranian regime's officials accountable for their crimes against humanity and urge the regime to present all its allegations and documents against the opposition in such a court if they claim to be truthful.

The Iranian regime's conspiracy to target the MEK and its supporters on European soil is a grave insult to the very principles upon which the European Union is built. Remaining silent in the face of a regime known for its record of executions, condemned 69 times for egregious human rights abuses, will give the green light to continue the massacre inside Iran and violate international standards and laws, endangering the safety of Iranian refugees in Europe.

As the President of the European Council, we urge you to ensure the full protection of Iranian political refugees in Ashraf-3 and guarantee their rights as outlined in the 1951 Geneva Convention and the European Convention on Human Rights and international law, including freedom of expression and assembly. This matter was emphasized by the Prime Minister of Albania in April 2016 in a letter to the Vice President of the European Parliament.

The Committee of Parliamentarians for a Free Iran is committed to defending democracy and human rights in Iran and sends a clear message to the Iranian regime that its efforts and conspiracies to exert pressure and suppress dissidents abroad will not be tolerated.

We call upon the European Union and yourself as an individual to take a firm stance against the Iranian regime's conspiracies, as the hostage-taking of European citizens or the terrorist activities on this continent have increased due to the lack of a decisive policy.

We appreciate your past collaboration.

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