His Excellency Hassan Rohani
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Dear President Rohani, Your Excellency,

We write to you as Members of the European Parliament to draw your attention to the current situation of Ahmad Reza Jalali, who has been sentenced to death and has been imprisoned in Evin Prison since April 2016.

The Swedish-Iranian scientist and researcher was sentenced to death for "corrupting the earth". Ahmad, who was granted Swedish citizenship in 2018, is a disaster physician.

In his trial, both Iranian law and international legal minimum standards were massively disregarded. Among other things, Mr. Jalali was forced to make a public confession of having spied for Israel. At the same time, his interrogators offered him his release, but on the condition that he worked for the Iranian secret service in Europe. He rejected this offer.

In December 2017 the death sentence against Ahmad was confirmed by the Iranian Supreme Court.

In addition, he is denied any medical care, even though he is suspected to have cancer. His state of health is steadily deteriorating. Mr. Jalali was in solitary confinement and all requests for his release have been ignored so far.

Since 24 November 2020, Ahmad Reza Jalali is now in isolation detention. He is threatened with execution in a few days.

We, the undersigned, call upon you to completely revoke the death sentence against Mr. Ahmad Reza Jalali, to release him and to grant access to medical care to Mr. Jalali.

Yours sincerely

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