



IRANIAN DIASPORA LUXEMBOURG

As members of the Iranian diaspora, we stand united in our decision to boycott the presidential election in Iran on 28 June 2024. This choice is not made lightly but is a reflection of our deep commitment to the principles of democracy, human rights, and justice for all Iranians.

For too long, the electoral process in Iran has been marred by systemic corruption, lack of transparency, and the exclusion of genuine political opposition. The Guardian Council's rigorous vetting process ensures that only candidates who align with the interests of the ruling establishment are allowed to run, thereby silencing the voices of general population. This undemocratic practice effectively undermines the very essence of a free and fair election.

Furthermore, the current regime continues to engage in severe human rights abuses, including arbitrary detentions, suppression of free speech, and violent crackdowns on peaceful protests. The brutal repression of dissenting voices within the country highlights the regime's disregard for the fundamental freedoms for its citizens.

Our boycott is a statement of solidarity with our fellow Iranians who are fighting for a democratic future. By refusing to participate in a flawed and oppressive system, we aim to draw international attention to the plight of the Iranian people.

We note that the current oppressive regime in Iran in any shapes or forms of it is a global sponsor of terror. It is one of the 2 states worldwide blacklisted by the UN watchdog of money-laundering and terrorism-financing (Financial Action Task Force). Moreover it's a regime that UN-Fact-Finding mission reported: "Many of these serious violations of human rights amount to crimes against humanity, specifically those of murder, imprisonment, torture, and rape and also persecution on the grounds of gender, intersecting with ethnicity and religion". Crimes against humanity inflict harm upon and injure the entire HUMANITY.

WE, Iranian diaspora, denounce the repressive and gender-apartheid regime in Iran and its legitimacy and stand in solidarity with the freedom loving Iranians that have boycotted the upcoming the election "circus". We echo Narges Mohamadi, the Nobel Peace Prize laureate currently imprisoned in Tehran's Evin prison, the university students, the civil and political activists, artists and ordinary citizens' voices and SAY: " I refuse to participate in the illegal elections of a repressive and illegitimate government" " the power structure has left no room to change" "How can you present a ballot box to the people while wielding knives, guns, and prisons against them with deceitful and manipulative language?".

We urge our democratic officials in the Grand Duchy of Luxembourg to show their support with the Iranian people's struggle for democracy and to condemn the ongoing human rights violations perpetrated by the regime. It is our collective hope that through sustained international pressure and the resilience of the Iranian people, we can pave the way for a brighter, free, and more just future for Iran, and thereby a safer world.

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#StopExecutionsInIran