Assiciazione delle Donne Democratiche Iraniane in Italia- UPR submission – IRAN – February 2010

The following report is about violation of human rights in Iran in recent months and also from many years before. Consist also 3 letters of the Iranian political refugees which they live in Italy and A.D.D.I has all the detail information about these persons.

- 1-Human rights violations in Iran, with its mass scale is not a new topic. More than 50 times the Iranian regime has been condemned at the United Nations due to the human rights abuses in the past 28 years. What concerns us the most, is torture and rape of the young people in prisons by the Iranian regime's oppressive forces. These crimes has been covered by the international media around the world recently.
- 2-Exposing these crimes by the Iranian regime's high rank officials like ayatollah Mehdi Karroubi which for years held a key position in the government and one of the four candidates for last presidential election is very significant. Karroubi had a press release about Horrible crimes and wide spread torture and sexual abuse, rape of young girls and boys and students in prisons.(Corriere della Sera-14 Agosto 2009- page 12)(Il Messaggero 10 Agosto 2009-Esteri) The fact that for 28 years Iranian resistance around the world are revealing.
- 3-From the very beginning from 15 years ago A.D.D.I (Assiciazione delle Donne Democratiche Iraniane in Italia) has exposed and condemned torture of political prisoners and in particular torture and sexual abuse of virgins in jails. According to Iran's clerical regime constitution law if a virgin girl executed she goes to heaven, so to prevent going to heaven the night before the execution they were raped by torturers. Day after the execution, the torturer or a person from the firing squad holding a box of sweet goes to the victim's family and congratulates them that their daughter has married before the execution witheher torturer of course!!!!. This inhuman act was a systematic procedure in jails which was revealed last month by some high rank ex-officials in the regime.
- 4-Due to these crimes, especially between 1981 and 1986 more than 120,000 political prisoners were executed in this method. But still the same style of aggression and crime continues.
- 5-Taraneh Mousavi a young girl was arrested during one of the demonstrations in Tehran near Qoba mosque with other 15 young girls. They were arrested by "Sarallah" one of the branches of the Intelligence ministry. She was transferred to the center of this section in Seoul Street. She was raped there very brutally which from genital and anal area was completely ruptured as the doctors on night shift checked her. In order to cover up this crime her body was transferred out of the hospital immediately and burnt by the government officials working in Sarallah repressive force to destroy all the evidence of tortures.

Based on the news in the Iranian media this crime has been carried out by head of the Sarallah force Hosein Taeb. He is a Mullah.

6-After the demonstration in Iran during the uprising, we had calls and contacts by Iranian youth girls and boys who had a chance to escape from Iran in Rome (Italy) and they talked to us about their experience in jails after they were arrested.

They wrote us and their letter is attached as follow:

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1-Letter of Afsaneh Sangabi

I am Afsaneh Sangabi 29 years old. I used to live in Tehran. I left Iran 2 months ago. Now I am in Rome (Italy).

Regarding the situation in Iran I would like to inform you about the facts in Iran. So you would be informed that what is doing this government to people.

One day I and my sister went shopping with my sister's friend and her mother. We were stopped by 2 men who came out from a State Security Forces Car. They forced us to get in the car and go with them we resisted and we asked the reason. They said because we did not wear proper Islamic out fit as they approve and why we use make up?? They threatened us if we resist they use force.

We were terrified and screamed we did not do any thing...and refused to get in to the car. Since the people were stearing at us they said: come in to the car but we release you next street. They took us to the Department of Social Corruption by force. When we objected they told us shut up...they transferred us in to the women section. There were lots of young girls and women lik us also some police women with black Chador they searched us and took all of our belongings and send us in a cell with other womwn who were arrested like us. We did not have permission to contact any body until late at night finally they contacted my father and he put large amount of money as randsome untile we were freed. But those who couldn't put mony to come out they were very terrified because as we knew God knows what will happen to them. This was one of the common methods to get money or if not the young girls would be chanelised to the women trafficing clandestine networks runs by various governmental services. Those who had not money were crying and were very ferious.

In our family one of our close friend has been arrested for his long hair. They attacked their hous and with humulation and degrading punishment they cut his hair.

My another friend has been arrested because he was walking with his girl friend in street. After arrest they have been married together. And as the religious law if the guy wants to separate his right leg and left hand or vise versa his left leg and right hand should be amputated. This is the rule and nobody can disobey. Because walking of a young boy and young girl without the marriage licence is forbiden.

One day my cousin was arrested because he drank vine with his freind. They have benn hung from feet and were lashed 72 times. His body was all brused and ruptured. He couldn't move for one week.

In another case they attacked in a wedding party which men and women took part together. They have some special houses after arrest some of the women were taken there and they were raped and killed after. These are the common knowledge everybody knows.

During the uprising in June I also participated in in the demonstrations because I was very tired of this regime. From the first day the police and Bassidgi forces attacked us and hit us with Batoons and tear gas. After inhaling tear gas I was sick for one week and I had a bad stomach ahee and could not breath properly. That day many of young girls and boys were arrested and next day the police had permit to shoot on the demonstrators. I have seen some boys have been shot to death and I don't know what happened to them after.

One day at the evening I went to Freedom square and the way to get there was very heavy traffic. It took me 2 hours to get to the place which usually it was maximum of 15 minutes time. Many huge trash cans were in fire to confront the tear gas. A cithy hall office was in fire and there was a real fight.onthe way to get the square I saw almost 50 police bikes. On each bike they were 2 police or Bassidgi forces nd they had guns hiden under their shirt. They were runing on demonsterators and it was very terrifying situation.

I was very afraid and run toward a taxi and ask the taxi driver to take me out of the scene. Next day I heard 12 youth have been killed during those clashes.

2-Letter of Javad Shafaei

You may know about what happened in Iran against humanity, maybe you know what happened in Iran, people's movement against the government. What I write this letter for you is an activity of government against people to make them silent. The later news of Iran are very terrible. It reminds me many years ago I was in their jail,

How much they bit me up and until now I'm not getting well and it bothers me. Before I tell you about myself I would want to talk about the torture of the political prisoners. As you heard and know some high rank authorities in Iran orders to close done one jail in Kahrizak near city of Karaj and nobody knows what happened to the large number of the political prisoners they used to keep them there? Many of them were university students. Where are they now? There is no official report about the details of the transferring of prisoners.

I'm ready to give witness every thin is in this letter any place.

At the end of August 1982 in Tehran the police became suspicious of me that I work and have relation with the Iranian Resistance group, then they arrested me. First they took me to a near police station that was in Seidkhandan street. After a few days of torture and trying to make me to speak about my friends I did not and finally they transferred me to notorious Evin Prison. They put me in branch 4 with criminal prisoners. They moved me 9 times to one room and asking me a lot and bit me up and tortured me. Still some nights I get up with terrible dreams and night mere with cold face.

2 times they took me to another torture room ,I was thinking I will die ,it not happens, they wanted to scare me and break my dignity and psychologically bring me down. Another day they flagged me on my feet. My feet were swollen so badly and they removed my foot nails. It was very painful and I went unconscious. Another time they closed my hand at the back from up to down I whish to die. Next time they hit on my head. As the result I was dizzy. For many times I was not normal. they hit me on back.

One time they were taking me with others to ask us questions. They said you can open your eyes, I saw a dead bodies that had been killed. They showed us to break our soul and then ask us questions. After months they moved me to another jail named Ghezelhesar. They kept me there for 5 years with doing torture on me. On January 1984 they took me to a place named ghiamat (resurrection day). They put this name for jail because no one could be alive there. They put a person in a room about 80 to 70 cm with closed eyes and must sit. I had been there for 47 days. In this room and then they moved me to another room, it was hard for me to talk and I forgot to talk. With help of other persons I got better. Without any reasons they hit me. Not even one day I could be relieved not thinking about torture, these are in the situation that they didn't have any document against me, except this they surly killed me at first. In those years I saw what they did also with others, if I write it becomes a thick book.

Best wishes Javad shafaie Via delle Egadi 15 Roma 00141 Tel. 0039/3477615188

3- letter of Alaedin wants to be unknown.:

I am art student and demonstrator after false revolution in Iran. I'm writing for you what I saw and know.

All things begins from 23 khordad a next day of revolution, and the police men were every where in the streets and avenue. They attacked people that were in the group or <u>crowded.at</u> first days they arrested many people and so many had been heart that many of the police men spoke Arabic ,they came from another country. i had been in many demonstration, also a day that we were in Enghelab to Azadi. we were about 2,5million people. After people got divorce from crowd polices attack people and that day killed 8 persons, Also arrested too many people.

Every day the polices that were different kind of group police attack people and kill in the streets, They crash windows of cars or shops. they attack at nights to the homes that says on their roofs god is great –Allho Akbar-, also they painted in their home, s door to know them, windows, cars window and every thing they could they broke a dormitory of student colledge. polices attack student and arrested so many of them and put them in jail. every day so many people disapointed, soonly it becams normal.in some family there was a dissapointed persons.in my family two person got lost and one of my friend.after three days they back home with problems physically and psycologicaly .they told me something that i tell you.at night in the street Shahrake Ggharb they were driving that polices with guns stopped them ,when they found some picture of Musavi they arrest them three people that were on that car they arrest and hit. They closed their eyes and ask them so many thing. They moved them with closed eyes and hand to another station of Sepah. And put tem to a room that some arrested people were. They sat on the knee behind wall, the polices attack them with foot and batoon. they want they tell what they didn't do.

one my freind that was walking in the steet at night about 23 o,clock had camera with himself, the police stoped him and ask him so many thing, successfuly he could run a way when another police coming.

i tell you some thing else shortly .many of my friend and i in the street were hitten from police men, they shut with their guns , hit with bottomns and throw gas.they controll phone calls and follow the people from movies or picturs.