

#### ABSTRACT

IRGC and Islamic Republic Government should be Isolated. A terrorist government should not have their Representatives in Australia.

We want Australia to act according to its values.

## HUMAN RIGHTS IMPLICATIONS OF RECENT VIOLENCE IN IRAN

## The Terms of Reference

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The recent violence against women and girls by Iranian authorities

Opportunities for nations that value human rights to support those being persecuted and oppressed in Iran

The potential application of sanctions on those responsible for the widespread violence and killing of women, girls and protesters in Iran;

The appropriateness of Iran's ongoing status on the U.N. Commission on the Status of Women;

Other actions available to the Australian Government and other likeminded nations to respond to human rights abuses in Iran;

Related Matters: Australia should cut all ties with I.R. Government

**Note:** There are videos and several external web pages referenced to this article. The printed version may not convey the actual goal of this matter, please read online to see full references.

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## 1. Executive summary

In addition to more than 43 years of crime and extreme violation of human rights (Iran Human Rights organisation, Reports since 2010), we have witnessed once again the brutality of the Islamic Republic regime of Iran against people who were just asking for basic human rights. Islamic Republic regime of Iran's response to any opposition voice was jail, torture, rape, and execution. These behaviors are undoubtedly not accepted, nor should they be supported in Australia. So we demand the Australian Government cut all ties with the Islamic Republic regime of Iran as a genuine gesture to show Australia truly supports human rights and would not support such barbaric acts by cutting all ties with the Islamic Republic regime of Iran. As far as the Islamic Republic regime of Iran has its representatives in Australia, we, the Australian citizens and the public around the world cannot truly believe the values we shout here in Australia.

#### References:

- Iran Human rights organisation: <u>https://iranhr.net/en/</u>
- Iran Revolution 2022 timeline: <u>https://irantimelines.com/</u>

### 2. About Me

I am a member of Woman-Life-Freedom movement in Australia who worked on many initiatives such as Senate and House petitions (<u>EN4559</u>). I moved to Australia 10 years ago and am an Australian citizen.

## 3. Why am I asking the Government to take serious action?

#### a. My request is to uphold Australian values

I chose Australia for a few reasons, but one of the most important reasons is the 'Australian Values Statement' expressed in Form 1281 through the immigration process. (figure 1). I love and support this statement, but at the same time, I would also like to see if the Australian Government believes in these values too. As far as some terrorism representatives are welcomed in Australia, I can't trust the Government truly supports these values. It will be a serious breach of Australian values if Australia lets the Islamic Republic regime ambassador, regime representatives, and IRGC dependents come to Australia in various forms, such as political visas, investment/business visas, etc.

#### Life in Australia - Australian values

The Australian Government encourages people to gain an understanding of Australia, its people and their way of life, before applying for a visa to live in Australia.

This includes understanding that the English language, as the national language, is an important unifying element of Australian society. Australian society is also united through the following shared values:

- respect for the freedom and dignity of the individual;
- freedom of religion (including the freedom not to follow a particular religion), freedom of speech, and freedom of association;
- commitment to the rule of law, which means that all people are subject to the law and should obey it;
- parliamentary democracy whereby our laws are determined by parliaments elected by the people, those laws being paramount and overriding any other inconsistent religious or secular 'laws';
- equality of opportunity for all people, regardless of their gender, sexual orientation, age, disability, race, or national or ethnic origin;
- a 'fair go' for all that embraces:
  - mutual respect;
  - tolerance;
  - compassion for those in need; and
  - equality of opportunity for all.

#### b. IRGC and the Islamic Republic Regime of Iran are an imminent threat to

#### Australia

I. IRGC cyber attacks

The recent ACSC report indicates that IRGC and the Islamic Republic Regime agents are behind cyber attacks in Australia. This is a matter of national security.

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#### References:

- Advice for Malicious Cyber Activity by Iran | Cyber.gov.au ,
- Iranian Islamic Revolutionary Guard Corps-Affiliated Cyber Actors Exploiting Vulnerabilities for Data Extortion and Disk Encryption for Ransom Operations | Cyber.gov.au

#### II. Triangle of global peace threat

The Islamic republic regime has signed historical military and economic agreements with China and Russia. It's not hidden that these dictatorship regimes are forming an alliance that is a big threat to global peace and safety. Considering recent China's threat to Australia, there is no doubt that I.R. Regime will support and join China in any potential conflict between Australia and China. The clear evidence is I.R. regime and IRGC's involvement in the Ukraine war through selling military drones to Russia.

#### References:

- https://www.theguardian.com/world/2022/oct/18/iran-agrees-to-supply-missilesas-well-as-drones-to-russia
- https://www.reuters.com/world/china/iran-china-sign-25-year-cooperationagreement-2021-03-27/

# c. We, the Iranian Australian community, don't feel safe and are seriously impacted (emotionally / Mentally)

- We cannot travel back to Iran to visit our family and friends. Islamic republic regime' parliament members requested the death penalty for all the arrested protestors. This also includes most of us in Australia, as if we go to Iran, we will probably get arrested and then .... (https://www.iranintl.com/en/202211068924)
- II. We are deeply concerned and mentally affected by the scenes of killings, torture, and violence reported every day. Please check this

website reporting what happened during the last two months. This is the timeline of most Iranian-Australians during the last two months. (<u>https://irantimelines.com/</u>)

## 4. Recommendations and Requesting Actions

There is a sense of urgency here; Australia has not been acting alongside the other commonwealth countries to address the urgency of this issue, and we need to act ahead of IRCG. My requests, as reflected in the Senate and House petitions (EN4559), are also supported by more than 55k signatures and include but are not limited to the following:

- 1. Expel the Islamic Republic ambassador and anyone with a close connection to I.R. Government.
- 2. Enact Magnitsky-style sanctions against key actors and members of the Islamic Revolutionary Guard Corps (IRGC) and the Islamic regime oligarchs similar to the Russian oligarchs (March 2022).
- 3. Immediately banish the ambassadors or other representatives of the Islamic Republic regime of Iran in Australia, serving either within embassies or international institutions, personae non grata, and order their removal from Australia in protest to the illegal and inhumane treatment of protesters in Iran.
- 4. Impose sanctions on IRGC and the I.R. government and cut all ties with the brutal terrorist regime.
- 5. Ensure measures are placed to avoid Taxpayers' Money being used to support the brutality of I.R. Government activities, including money invested in Australia by the individuals connected to Iranian officials.
- 6. Deport or revoke the citizenship of Islamic regime oligarchs and their children and grandchildren in Australia.

 Refrain from issuing visas to persons connected to the Islamic Regime, including but not limited to the children and grandchildren of Islamic regime officials.

## 5. Conclusion

I ask the Australian Government to act reasonably and according to its roots and values. There are many countries and international organisations around the world (Canada, EU, Germany, France, Sweden, UK, United States, etc. ) that are taking serious actions, and we would like to see Australia not just part of this global movement, but also being one of leaders and examples of Human Right support and fight against dictatorship.