

To the Honourable The Speaker and Members of the House of Representatives

**Petition against the execution of Farzad Kamangar an Iranian Teacher**

We the undersigned draw attention to our strong protest against the death penalty that faces Farzad Kamangar, a 33-year old Iranian teacher and a member of Teacher Trade Union in Iran.

Farzad's supposed crime is to stand for the rights of his fellow workers and the rights of other people in Iran in which the Iranian government has been exercising a severe political and social repression over almost three decades. This has resulted Farzad amongst many other dissident Iranian, in being treated cruelly and receives death sentence simply for voicing out his protest. Other than suppressing Farzad political voice, we believe that such practice by Iranian government severely violates Farzad's human, individual and social rights and we condemn such a conduct of Iranian regime.

Further more, we declare that the executions by the Islamic Republic of Iran are a state crime against the people of Iran.

We demand the following:

- An immediate release of Farzad.
- An immediate annulment of Farzad's sentence.
- An immediate end to the death penalty in Iran.
- An immediate compliance by the Islamic Republic of Iran with internationally recognized rights of Iranian workers, teachers to organize and strike and their rights of freedom of expression.
- An immediate compliance by the Islamic Republic of Iran with political and social freedom
- An immediate release of all political prisoners.

We request the Australian government to take a strong stand at the diplomatic level against the execution of Farzad Kamangar and all other executions, review and reduce its cooperation with the Islamic Republic of Iran.