



Statement

Demanding the trial and accountability of Ibrahim Raisi for his involvement in the 1988 massacre of Iranian political prisoners

We, the Iraqi and Arab personalities who have signed this statement, declare our position to the international community, Western, Arab, and Islamic countries.

Based on this legitimate claim on evidence and facts that we review in this statement, in addition to what Amnesty International acknowledged on June 19, 2021 that Ebrahim Raisi will assume the presidency of Iran, instead of being investigated for crimes under international law, is a grim reminder of the international failure to address a crisis of systematic impunity in Iran.

1. Mullah Ebrahim Raisi, a perpetrator of crimes against humanity and genocide by executing 30,000 political prisoners in 1988, played a major role in the execution and murder of the Iranian people, and a member of the death commission formed by Khomeini during his reign to kill political prisoners.
2. The international community must consider the 1988 massacre as a genocide and a crime against humanity. This massacre was one of the darkest moments in the contemporary history of Iran, and in the words of the British Baroness Boutroyd, "It is one of the greatest crimes against humanity that remains unpunished since "The Second World War". In a report issued on the thirtieth anniversary of the massacre, Amnesty International wrote: Most of the male and female victims across the country were supporters of the People's Mojahedin Organization of Iran.
3. This criminal Raisi did not reach the presidency and previously the head of the judiciary in Iran because of his justice, but because he is proud of his revenge and elimination of opposition. Also his relations with judicial leaders of criminal regimes in Islamic and Arab countries enabled him to teach them how to eliminate their opposition and take revenge on them officially, one of them is the Supreme Judicial Council in Iraq, Faeq Zaidan, who deliberately exceeded the sovereign norms followed by the Iraqi president. He congratulated Raisi the criminal, and issued an official statement considered him as a great Muslim leader, challenging all national and religious groups in Iraq.
4. The standards of international justice approved by the United Nations obliged it not to accept Ibrahim Raisi in the next session of the United Nations General Assembly, because that would be an unforgivable insult to the peoples of all countries.
5. Based on the foregoing, we, the undersigned, call on the UN Security Council to take the necessary measures to prosecute Mullah Ibrahim Raisi on charges of genocide and crimes against humanity. The failure to hold this criminal, who currently holds the presidency of the regime, will make him more encouraged to continue his crimes against his people and open up the appetite of Arab criminal groups in Iraq, Yemen, Syria and Lebanon to further destabilize global security and stability, especially since he clearly declared that he is not interested in developing his relationship with international powers because what concerns him is the relations of his criminal regime with the countries involved in their criminal actions.

With appreciation and respect.

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