

To whom it may concern

I write to you as an Iranian–Australian citizen to urgently and formally request that the Parliament of Australia take immediate action to designate the Islamic Revolutionary Guard Corps (IRGC) and its affiliated militia, the Basij, as terrorist organizations under Australian law.

For over four decades, the IRGC and Basij have been the primary instruments of systematic repression, extrajudicial killings, torture, enforced disappearances, and widespread human rights violations against the Iranian population. These organizations have played a direct and central role in the killing of innocent civilians—particularly Iranian youth—and in the sustained suppression of fundamental freedoms. Their conduct clearly meets the criteria of organized terror against a civilian population.

The actions of the IRGC and Basij constitute ongoing crimes, not historical grievances. They operate through fear, violence, and coercion, effectively holding the Iranian people hostage. Their activities are well documented and represent a clear threat to human rights, regional stability, and international norms.

As a democratic nation committed to the rule of law, human rights, and international accountability, Australia has both the moral responsibility and legal grounds to act decisively. Continued delay in formally designating these entities risks enabling further violence and repression.

Accordingly, I respectfully but firmly call upon the Australian Parliament to act without delay to:

Formally designate the IRGC and Basij as terrorist organizations

Immediately sever all financial, economic, diplomatic, and ideological links with these entities

Prohibit any form of direct or indirect support, funding, or engagement with organizations affiliated with them

Taking this step would demonstrate Australia’s commitment to justice, accountability, and the protection of innocent lives, and would send a clear message that state-sponsored terror and systemic human rights abuses will not be tolerated.

I urge the Parliament to treat this matter with the seriousness and urgency it demands.

Yours sincerely,

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