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Your Excellency,

Please forgive me for approaching you on behalf of the Iranian citizen, Mehran Shamloui. He exercised his right to freely choose his religion. The Christian was arrested on 3rd of July 2025, and taken to Evin Prison in Tehran in August.

In March 2025, a court sentenced him to ten years and eight months in prison for joining a Christian community in order to live according to his religious beliefs. The harsh sentence was upheld by an appeals court in April 2025.

The Islamic Republic of Iran has ratified the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights in a binding manner under international law. Article 18 of this document guarantees every person the right to change their faith and also to promote it. I, therefore, beseech you, dear Mr. President, to advocate the immediate and unconditional release of Mr. Mehran Shamloui.

Most respectfully,