

Head of Iran's State Prison Organization  
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Dear Mr Jahangir,

I am writing to draw your attention to the treatment of imprisoned human rights defender **Narges Mohammadi**. She has written an open letter from prison in which she says she was subjected to what would amount to cruel, inhuman and degrading treatment during her transfer to Zanjan prison on 24 December 2019. Her transfer was in apparent reprisal for participating in a peaceful sit-in in the women's ward of Evin prison to commemorate protesters killed by security forces during protests in November 2019. Since August 2019, she has been denied contact with her children, who have been living abroad since her arrest in May 2015.

**Mohammadi** is serving a 10-year prison term solely for her human rights work. I therefore urge you to release her immediately and unconditionally. Pending her release, please grant her regular visits and telephone calls from her family, including her children; ensure that she is provided with immediate and continued access to the health care she needs outside prison; ensure that her allegations of ill-treatment are promptly investigated by an independent and impartial body; and protect her from further ill-treatment.

Thank you for your attention. I am kindly awaiting your reply.

Yours sincerely,