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The Facts About the Sham Elections of the Mullah Regime

San Francisco, CA – As usual, the mullahs have used various schemes to select the new president of the regime in undemocratic elections, where the six candidates on the ballot were all chosen by the leaders of the mullah mafia and no other Iranian had the opportunity to be a candidate. None of the regime's approved candidates would win a free and democratic election in Iran.

"The mullahs always lie about the results of their elections," said Dr. Assadollah Nasre Esfahani, Chairman of the Iranian Solidarity Congress. "The Islamic republic has a habit of exaggerating the number of Iranians who vote in sham elections of the regime," he added.

Even considering the results of the election that have been announced by the Islamic republic, more than 14 million Iranians who could vote, boycotted the undemocratic election. Ali Agha-Soltan, father of Neda Agha-Soltan who was killed by the Islamic republic during the massive protests in Tehran on 20 June 2009, spoke with BBC on June 14, 2013, and he said that nobody in his family voted in Islamic republic's election, because his daughter was killed by the regime. Millions of other Iranians whose families have suffered by actions of the Islamic republic also boycotted the undemocratic elections.

Some individuals and organizations have falsely claimed that Hassan Rohani is a moderate or reformer. However, Rohani has been a member of the mullah mafia since 1979, and he has held high level positions while the regime was torturing and killing tens of thousands of Iranians, and the regime was involved in terrorist activities that have killed many Americans, Arabs, Afghans, Argentines and others. Mullah Hassan Rohani has been quoted by Islamic republic's newspapers saying "Death to America." Rohani's horrible record shows that he is not a moderate or reformer.

In recent years, millions of Iranians have participated in massive protests against Khamenei's regime, and they have chanted "death to the dictator." These protests prove that Khamenei's claim that Iranians support the regime is baseless.

According to Reporters Without Borders (RSF): "Essential for free and democratic elections, freedom of information is not respected in the Islamic Republic." "A total of 54 Iranian journalists and netizens are currently detained for trying to provide their fellow citizens with news and information."

Today, thousands of Iranian political prisoners are deprived of their human rights, the Islamic republic has banned all pro-democracy groups, and the regime controls all radio and television, and censors books, publications, satellite television and thousands of websites. These facts clearly demonstrate that conditions for free and democratic elections don't exist in the Islamic republic. The Khomeinist regime has never had free and democratic elections. Since there is no freedom in the Islamic republic, all elections of the regime are undemocratic and illegitimate, and leaders of the regime are not representatives of the Iranian people.

The Iranian people want freedom, democracy and human rights, and they realize that they cannot be free as long as the Islamic republic exists.

The Islamic republic is a menace to Iranians and the world. The members of the Iranian Solidarity Congress condemn the violations of the human rights of Iranians by the Islamic republic, and we respectfully urge all enlightened individuals and democratic governments to support the Iranian pro-democracy movement.

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