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**The leaders of The Royal Swedish Academy of Sciences consider
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The Royal Swedish Academy of Sciences urges the Iranian government to withdraw the death penalty of Dr. Ahmadreza Djalali, an Iranian medical doctor, university lecturer, and researcher in disaster medicine, who has been detained in Evin Prison since April 2016 under harsh conditions.

Dr. Djalali, a permanent resident of Sweden and a Swedish academic colleague of ours, is highly respected for his collaborative international work to improve medical efforts in disaster situations. We understand that he was arrested while visiting Iran, invited by the University of Tehran and Shiraz University, to take part in a series of workshops about best practices in disaster medicine.

Given that no credible evidence has been presented to support the charges against him, it is feared that Dr. Djalali is being prosecuted for his international collaborative medical work in the field of disaster medicine, in violation of his rights to freedom of expression, association, and assembly. Thus, we respectfully request that you use your good offices to revoke his death sentence and ensure that he is subjected to due process and fair trial. We urge you to ensure that Dr. Djalali's conditions of confinement are brought into conformity with the U.N. Standard Minimum Rules for the Treatment of Prisoners (the Nelson Mandela Rules), including that he receive all needed medical care.

Sincerely yours,

Christina Moberg
Professor, President

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Professor, Secretary General

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