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Your Excellency,

I wish to draw your attention to the case of Atena Daemi who is currently serving a seven-year sentence for her peaceful activities. On 23 March 2017 a criminal court in Tehran convicted Atena Daemi and her sisters Hanieh and Ensieh Daemi for "insulting public officers on duty" in connection with the confrontation they had with Revolutionary Guards officials during Atena Daemi's arrest in November 2016.

I urge you to release Atena Daemi immediately and unconditionally, as she is being detained solely for peacefully exercising her rights to freedom of expression, association and assembly, and to ensure that, pending her release, she has access to a qualified health professional who can provide health care in compliance with medical ethics.

Lastly, I urge you to quash the convictions of Hanieh and Ensieh Daemi, which were issued after an unfair trial, and to investigate Atena Daemi's allegations of torture or other ill-treatment, including being subjected to violence during her November 2016 arrest, and ensure that those responsible are brought to justice in fair trials.

Thank you for your attention to this urgent matter. I am kindly awaiting your reply.

Yours sincerely,