

# 237 WORDS SANCTIONING THE MASSACRE OF 30,000 POLITICAL PRISONERS IN 1988

“ In the name of God, the Most High, ... It is decreed that those who are in prisons throughout the country and remain steadfast in their support for the *Monafegin* [Iranian dissidents, the MEK], are waging war on God and are condemned to execution... It is naïve to show mercy to those who wage war on God. Those who are making the decisions must not hesitate, nor show any doubt or be concerned with details. They must try to be 'most ferocious against infidels...' If a person at any stage or at any time maintains his (or her) support for the *Monafegin* [MEK], the sentence is execution. Annihilate the enemies of Islam immediately.”

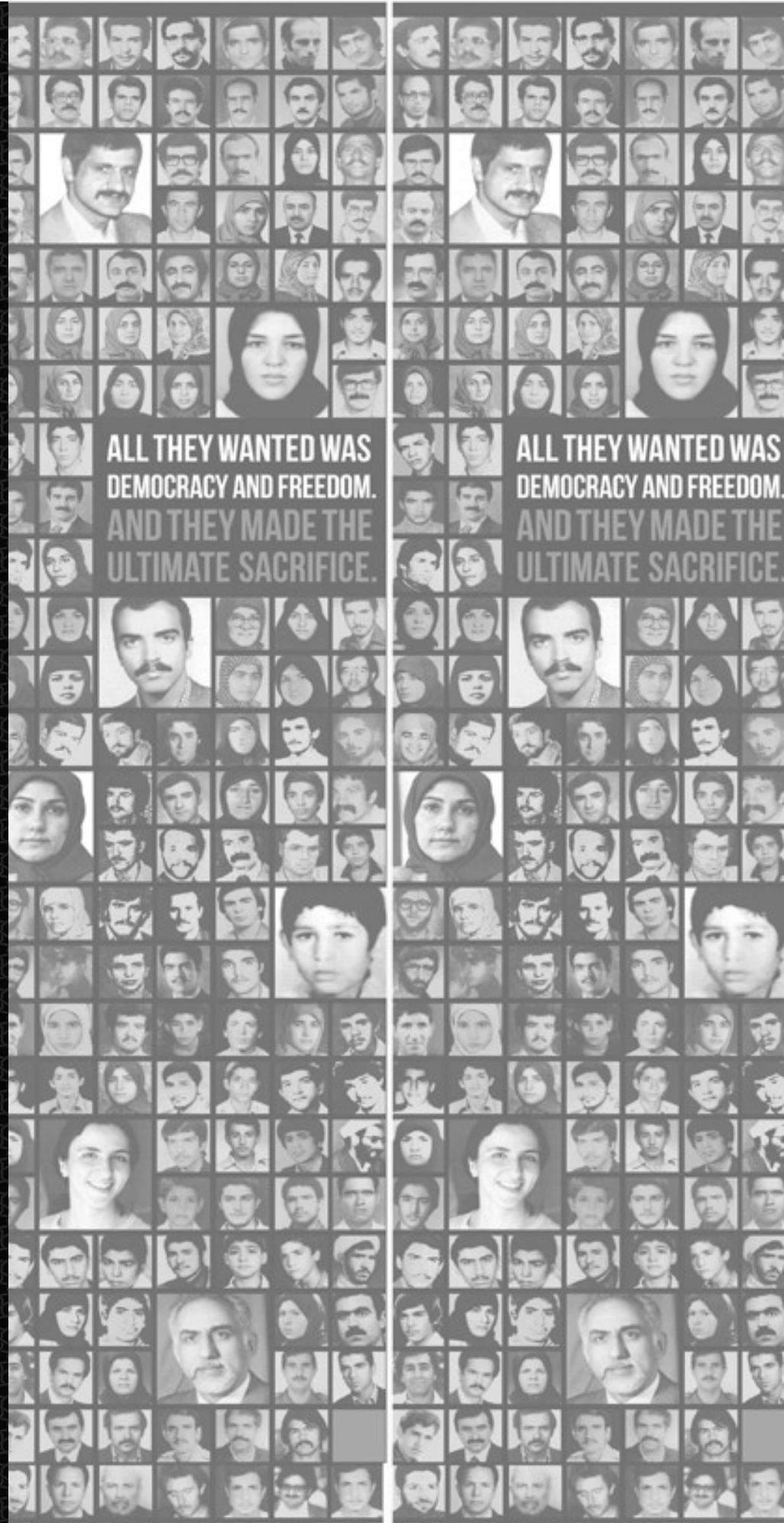
Ruhollah Mossavi al-Khomeini

**Mostafa Pourmohammadi, Rouhani's current Justice Minister,** sat on the three-member "death commission" which sentenced to death 30,000 dissidents, 90 percent of whom were MEK members and sympathizers.

**All those executed were buried secretly in unmarked graves in Tehran and other cities.**

Amnesty International (May 2, 2007): Under international law, valid in 1988, crimes against humanity consist of widespread or systematic attacks against civilians on discriminatory, including political, grounds. The 1988 executions should be subject to an independent impartial investigation, and all those responsible should be brought to justice, and receive appropriate penalties.

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## ROUHANI'S RECORD



# 2,000 HANGED IN 2 YEARS IN IRAN



POLITICAL  
MURDER

Executions have surged under Rouhani to almost 2,000 in two years.



DISSENT  
HAMMERED

Arbitrary arrests are common, and Iran ranks 4th in prisoners per capita worldwide.



WOMEN'S  
RIGHTS

57 women have been executed in two years.



PRESS  
QUASHED

Iran continues to imprison more journalists, bloggers and internet users than almost any other country.



NUCLEAR  
AMBITION

Rouhani has flatly stated Iran would not back down from getting nuclear bombs.



FOREIGN  
MEDDLING

Iran is at the center of conflicts in Syria, Iraq, Yemen, Lebanon ... as it exports its radical fundamentalism



SPIKING  
POVERTY

About 80% of the Iranian people live below the poverty line.



RISING  
PRICES

Prices are continuously rising. Each year 5 million Iranians enter poverty due to increasing prices

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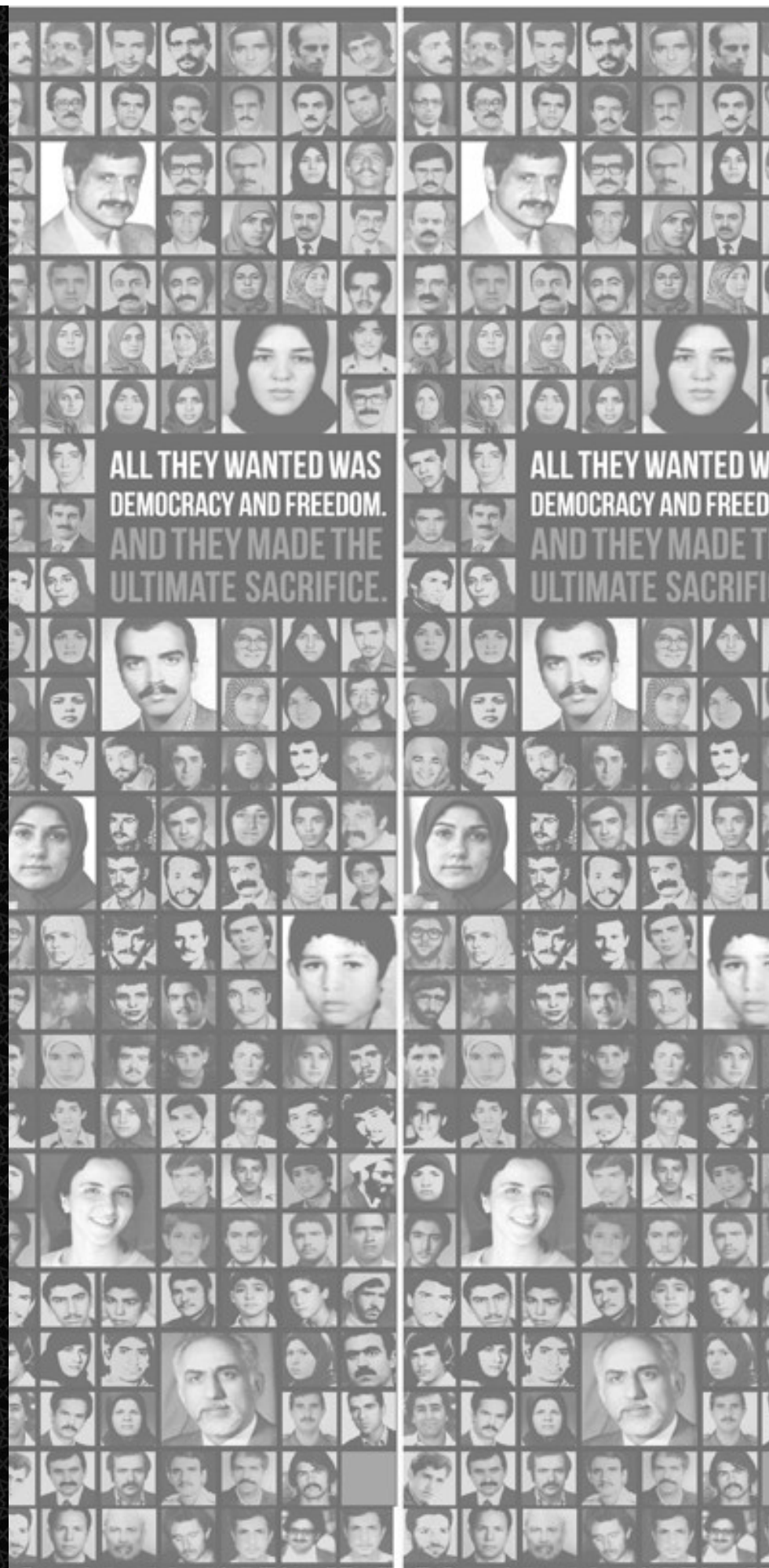
# IN IRAN, THE STATE “WAR ON WOMEN” ISN'T JUST A FIGURE OF SPEECH.



Iranian women are increasingly being subjected to acid attacks. These heinous acts seem to be condoned or even sponsored by government of Iran and carried out by the Basij and other vigilante groups.  
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The recent surge of attacks has coincided with the passage of a law protecting vigilantes who go after people for acting in an "un-Islamic way." Remarks by a number of leading clerics on women and their defiance of the regime's code of dressing preceded these brutal and inhumane acts.

**The women of Iran are under acid attack. And it's not pretty.**



THE IRANIAN PEOPLE HAVE ENDURED THEIR DARKEST HOUR UNDER THE TYRANNICAL RULE OF THE MULLAHS. YET DESPITE HORRIFIC HUMAN RIGHTS ABUSES, INCLUDING THE EXECUTION OF 120,000 OF OUR NATION'S BEST AND BRIGHTEST, THEY HAVE REFUSED TO SURRENDER, BRAVELY KEEPING ALIVE THE FLAMES OF THE STRUGGLE FOR FREEDOM AND DEMOCRACY.

INSPIRED BY THE ULTIMATE SACRIFICE MADE BY THE PREVIOUS GENERATION, WOMEN AND YOUTH ARE NOW AT THE FOREFRONT OF THE NATIONWIDE OPPOSITION TO THE

SUCH PERSEVERANCE AND RESOLVE IN THE FACE OF ONE OF THE MOST BARBARIC POST-WWII REGIMES, PROMISES THE INEVITABLE VICTORY OF LIBERTY OVER DICTATORSHIP. INSPIRED BY THE MOTTO "WE CAN AND WE MUST," THE IRANIAN PEOPLE AND THEIR ORGANIZED RESISTANCE MOVEMENT WILL CONTINUE THEIR RELENTLESS STRUGGLE UNTIL FREEDOM DAWNS ON THE LAND OF THE LION AND THE SUN, BUILDING A PROSPEROUS, MODERN AND DEMOCRATIC FUTURE FOR GENERATIONS TO COME.



# IRAQ'S MALIKI MURDERED 116 IRANIAN DISSIDENTS



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## REYHANEH JABBARI HER TRIAL WAS A FARCE. BUT HER EXECUTION WAS ALL TOO REAL.

"I wish they would come  
tie a rope around my neck  
and kill me instead, but to  
allow Rayhaneh to come  
back home."  
"I am a mother. No mother  
can accept the death of  
her child."



In 2007, at the age of 19,  
Reyhaneh Jabbari was  
an interior decorator in  
Iran when an intelligence  
ministry agent invited her  
to his office to discuss a  
business deal. He allegedly  
tried to rape her there and  
was killed when Reyhaneh  
tried to defend herself.

Jabbari was arrested,  
subjected to solitary  
confinement for months  
without access to her family  
or a lawyer, and reportedly  
forced to confess that the  
stabbing was premeditated.

To the shock and dismay of  
the world, after seven years  
in prison, she was hung on  
October 25, 2014, at the age  
of 26.

Amnesty International called  
it "another bloody stain on  
Iran's human rights record"  
—one that's "tragically,  
far from uncommon."



# MISOGYNOUS LAWS IN THE CONSTITUTION OF THE VELAYAT-E FAQIH REGIME IN IRAN

## Oppression in the Family

Men's hegemony in the family is absolute. Age of marriage for girls is 13.

Article 1105 of Civil Code, Article 489 of Islamic Punishment Law, Article 1008 of the Civil Code

## Marriage & Divorce

A man can divorce whenever he wishes. Women are forbidden to marry "non-muslim" men.

Articles 1133 and 1043 of the Civil Code

## Men's Polygamy

Men can have 4 official wives and numerous temporary ones.

Articles 1048, 1049, 900 and 901 of the Civil Code

## Stoning

The Islamic Punishment Act on stoning describes the method and stone size.

Articles 102-105 of the Penal Code

## Banned from Judgeship & Presidency

Women are banned from the presidency and law states judges must be selected from among men. Since 1985, women began taking judiciary positions but have been denied the right to sit on the Bench.

Articles 115 and 163 of the Constitution

## Unjust Share of Inheritance

A woman's share of inheritance is half that of a man's.

Articles 947, 913 and 907 of the Civil Code

## No Custodial Rights

Women are deprived of child custody.

Articles 102-105 of the Penal Code

## Mandatory Veiling

Laws compel women to observe the government's dress code. Punishment is 74 lashes or 10 days to 2 months imprisonment if can't pay bail.

Articles 102-105 of the Penal Code

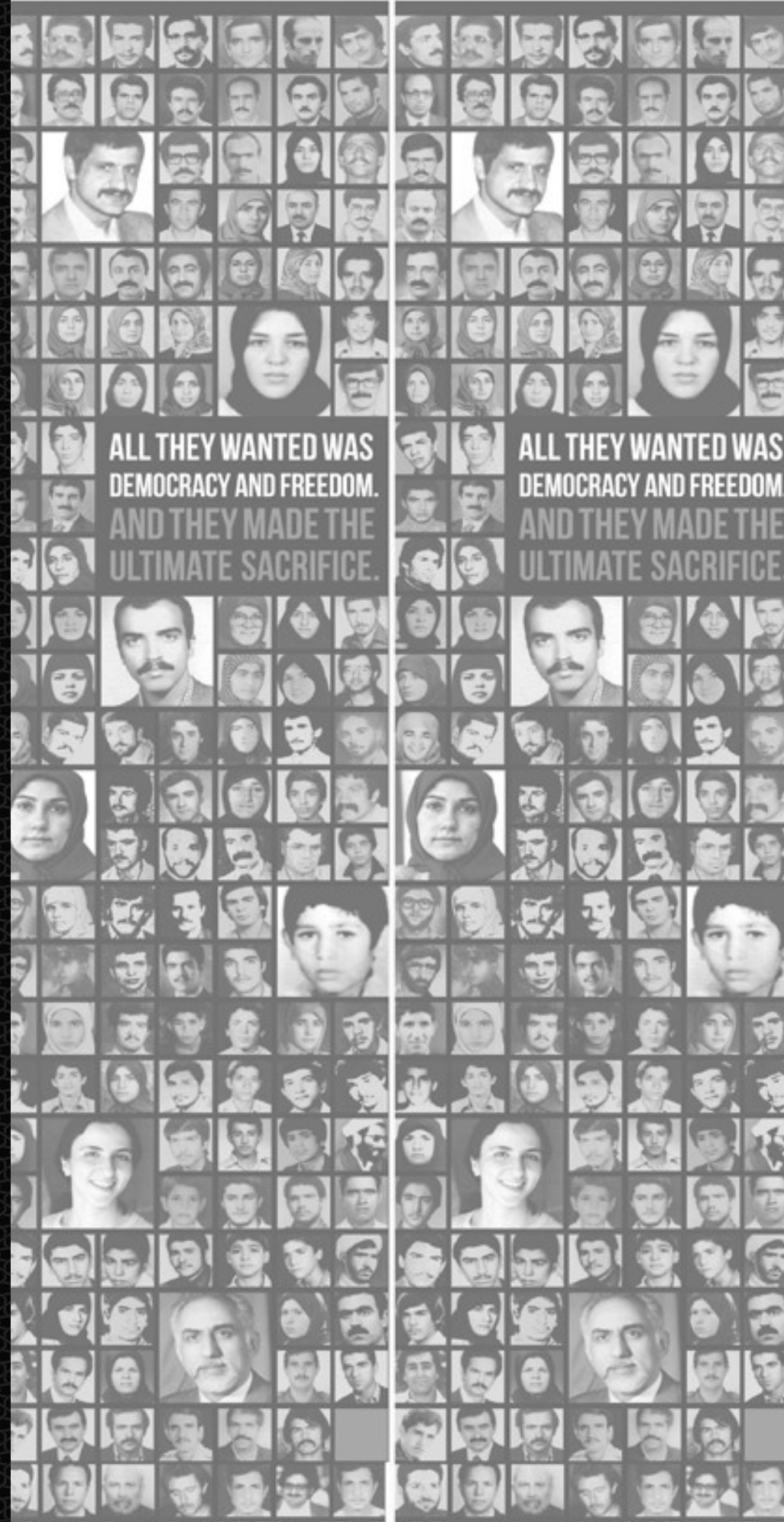
## Painful Destiny of Girls


The age for penal accountability is 8 years 9 months for girls and 14 years 6 months for boys.

Articles 1210 of the Civil Code

## Two Women's Testimony = One Man's

Articles 237, 189 and 170 of the Islamic Punishment Law



IN IRAN,   
IF THE  
CYBERPOLICE  
DON'T LIKE  
YOU, THEY  
MIGHT JUST  
TORTURE AND  
KILL YOU.

Iran continues to place overly broad restrictions on freedom of expression and access to information for its citizens, including severe content restrictions, intimidation and prosecution of Internet users, and limitations on Internet access.

**And it gets much worse...**

**Sattar Beheshti was a 35-year-old blogger** from the city of Robat-Karim. He was tortured to death while being interrogated by Iran's cyberpolice about a Facebook post. In jail, Beheshti had no access to his family, or to a lawyer.

According to the U.S. State Department, Beheshti had been arrested for a crime no greater than expressing his political opinion online.



# IN IRAN, RELIGIOUS MINORITIES ARE PERSECUTED RELIGIOUSLY.

A UN resolution regarding human rights in Iran, adopted in November 2014, expresses deep concern at serious ongoing and recurring harassment and persecution of religious minorities, including Christians, Jews, Sufi Muslims, Zoroastrians, Baha'is and their defenders.

## IMPRISONED SINCE 2011

Behnam Irani, Abdolreza, Ali-Haghnejad and Reza Rabbani, leaders in the Church of Iran, were sentenced to six years in prison for "acting against national security" and "creating a network to overthrow the system."

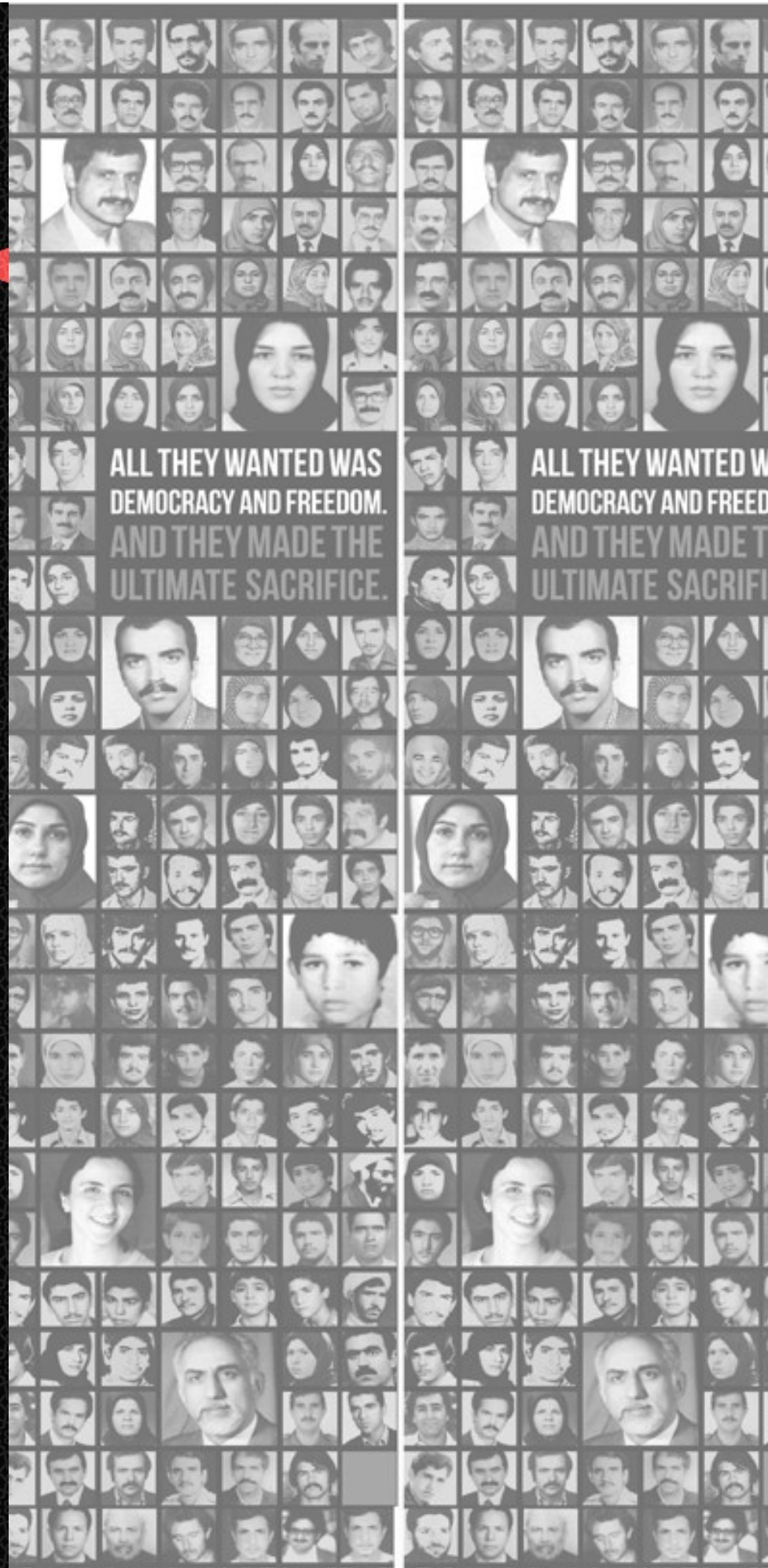
## IMPRISONED SINCE 2012

Iranian-American Christian pastor **Saeed Abedini** has spent the last two years in a prison cell.

Father Verveer Avanesian was arrested during a Christmas gathering with a group of newly converted church members.

## ARRESTED IN 2014

Seyyed Alireza Alinejad, Mohammad Roghangeer and Soroush Saraj, members of the church in Shiraz, are all currently imprisoned.



## MULLAHS HAVE NO PROBLEM EXECUTING CHILDREN.



Public execution of youth in Karaj, Iran (July 2015)

During Rouhani's tenure,  
**17 minors**  
(at the time of their alleged  
offense),  
have been executed.





# CHILDREN

under the age  
of 18 executed



Amnesty International, January 1, 2011 - Iran has the shameful status of being the world's last official executioner of child offenders — people convicted of crimes committed when they were under the age of 18. It also holds the macabre distinction of having executed more child offenders than any other country in the world since 1990, according to Amnesty International's records.

<http://www.amnestyusa.org/research/reports/iran-the-last-executioner-of-children>

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# 2000 EXECUTIONS

UNDER ROUHANI'S WATCH

1207  
UNANNOUNCED

57  
WOMEN

599  
ANNOUNCED

37  
DISSIDENTS

125  
IN PUBLIC

17  
MINORS



# IRAN



# IN IRAN, EXECUTION IS A POLITICAL TACTIC.

Gholamreza Khosravi Savadjani was arrested in 2008 for supporting the PMOI/MEK (Iran's main opposition group). He was sentenced to death for "enmity against God" (a trumped up charge) and executed on June 1, 2014.

Several other political prisoners have been executed under the charges of visiting Camp Ashraf (former home of the MEK), encouraging their families to go to Ashraf, making contributions to the MEK, taking films and photos from demonstrations, and conducting interviews with families of MEK members.

Retaining power through  
institutionalized murder  
isn't only perverse—it's a  
breach of international law.



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