



Plenary sitting

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MOTION FOR A RESOLUTION

with request for inclusion in the agenda for a debate on cases of breaches of human rights, democracy and the rule of law

pursuant to Rule 150 of the Rules of Procedure

on the increasing and systematic repression of women in Iran
(2024/2951(RSP))

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on behalf of The Left Group

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**Motion for a European Parliament resolution on the increasing and systematic repression of women in Iran
(2024/2951(RSP))**

The European Parliament,

- having regard to Rules 150(5) of its Rules of Procedure,
 - A. Whereas women are entitled to full equality under both Iranian law and international human rights conventions;
 - B. Whereas both domestic and international law guarantees the freedom of assembly;
 - C. Whereas eight special UN rapporteurs have raised concerns over recent alarming increase in the systematic targeting of Baha'i women;
 - D. Whereas article 18 of the UDHR enshrines that everyone has the right to freedom of thought, conscience and religion;
 - E. Whereas Iran, as a signatory to the ICCPR, is obligated to respect and ensure the freedom of religion or belief;
 - F. Whereas article 14 of the Iranian Constitution obligates the government to treat all non-Muslims with fairness and justice;
 - G. Whereas Ahoon Daryaei, following Mahsa Amini, has become a symbol of women's struggle in Iran; whereas after being harassed by Basij militias for not wearing the hijab, she removed her clothes at her university; whereas Iranian authorities committed her to a psychiatric hospital;
 - H. Whereas this Parliament has not adopted a single resolution on Palestinian women since the beginning of the genocide;
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1. Is particularly worried about the increasing and systematic repression of women in Iran;
 2. Stands alongside women, civil society and all citizens struggling for equal rights, the rights to peaceful protest and expression ;
 3. Condemns the sentencing of human rights defenders such as Zia Nabavi and Mohammad Habibi, whistle blowers denouncing the poisoning of school girls and demanding accountability; calls for the immediate release of all human rights defenders;

4. Calls on Iranian authorities to respect the rights of women to protest and to choose to wear or not to wear religious veils; calls on the authorities to repeal discriminatory laws on governing dress codes ; notes beside that a clear separation of state and religion prevents religious interference in the functioning of government and of any public interference in religious affairs ;
5. Notes with concern that Ahoor Daryae and other critics are sent to psychiatric internment to discredit their dissent, a strategy often targeting women under patriarchal notions of hysteria;
6. Denounces the systemic persecution of Bahá'ís and other minorities which constitutes a clear violation of Iran's obligations under international law and its own constitutional principles;
7. Calls for the release of the group of unjustly detained Bahá'ís women, including Neda Emadi and Parastoo Hakim;
8. Calls on the Iranian authorities to protect girls' right to education and protect worker's rights;
9. Urges Iran to abolish death penalty and strongly condemn the executions ;
10. Urges EU Member States to reinforce their humanitarian visas policies to persecuted women and human rights defenders in Iran;
11. Stresses that further isolating Iran at global level can have detrimental consequences, such as strengthening hardliners of the regimen, further degrading women's right as well as contributing to nuclear proliferation;
12. Instructs its President to forward this resolution to the authorities of Iran, the EU Member States, the Council, the Commission, the HR/VP, the EEAS and the UN.