





YOUNG HUMAN RIGHTS DEFENDERS IRAN



Atena Daemi and Golrokh Ebrahimi Irae, are friends and human rights activists. Alongside Golrokh's husband Arash Sadeghi, they are currently in prison because of their work to protect and promote human rights in Iran.

Atena, an anti-death penalty campaigner, is serving a seven-year sentence because of her human rights activism. Golrokh is serving a three-year sentence for writing an unpublished story on the practice of stoning women to death for adultery.

On January 24 Golrokh and Atena were violently transferred to Shahr-e Rey prison - a disused chicken farm that holds hundreds of women in overcrowded conditions, without access to drinkable water, decent food, medicine and fresh air. During the transfer, the women allege guards insluted them, subjected them to and sexual slurs, and began to kick and punch them when they peacefully protested against the transfer. In protest of their transfer, Atebn and Golrokh went on hunger strike on February 3, and stopped drinking water on February 11.

Arash, also a human rights activist and prisoner of conscience, has been on hunger strike since 27 January in protest of the transfer.

Tell the Iranian authorities to ensure that Golrokh Ebrahimi Iraee and Atena Daemi have access to adequate medical care. They must also immediately and unconditionally release these courageous young human rights defenders as they are prisoners of conscience, imprisoned solely for their peaceful human rights work.

Return petitions on a monthly basis to your action centre and we'll post them on the last Friday of the month.

For fastest return please photograph and email to activism@amnesty.org.au

You can also drop them off at an Amnesty action centre or post to: Amnesty Brave Campaign, Locked Bag 23, Broadway, NSW 2007

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SIGN THE PETITION TO THE HEAD OF THE JUDICIARY

Tell the Minister to ensure that Golrokh and Atema have access to medical care, and to unconditionally release them, alongside Arash. Grab a petition and start collecting names and emails in your community. We'll post your petitions to the Head of the Judiciary regularly to keep up the pressure.