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## Iran protests

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We are deeply concerned by the suppression of anti-government protests in Iran since December 2017, including reports that at least 50 demonstrators were killed, some in detention under torture, and 8 000 were arbitrarily arrested for exercising their democratic right to peaceful protest. A judiciary official has publicly called for the execution of demonstrators for 'waging war against God'.

The human rights situation has deteriorated in the wake of recent protests. Iran has the highest number of executions per capita globally. The culture of impunity must end.

We condemn the use of force against the defenceless protesters and call for the immediate and unconditional release of all detainees.

We call on the member States of the Council of Europe and other relevant international organisations to take urgent action for the immediate release of detained protesters and to determine the status of those who are missing.

We call on the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights to set up a fact-finding mission to investigate the situation of Iran's prisons and political prisoners, especially those arrested during the recent uprising and those killed in detention.

*Signed (see overleaf)*



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