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SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR MR KAMAL FOROUGHI TO BE GIVEN CLEMENCY AND (IF HE IS NOT RELEASED SOON) URGENT CATARACT OPERATIONS TO BE PERFORMED ON HIS EYES TO AVOID BLINDNESS

Your Excellency,

Congratulations on your new appointment as Ambassador of the Islamic Republic of Iran to the United Kingdom.

Your resumé shows that you have suffered many hardships for Iran for many years and that you were a senior member of the nuclear negotiating team. Congratulations on the successful negotiation of the deal.

We have also suffered many hardships for Iran. My 77 year old father has been held in Evin Prison for over five years since 5 May 2011 and has not seen his daughter (my sister), son and two granddaughters (my two daughters) for almost five and a half years. I stayed quiet about my father's detention for 1,624 days, giving time for diplomacy to work, and only went public in October 2015 after the nuclear deal was agreed and ratified in the Iranian Majlis.

Please find attached a prepared letter which is addressed jointly to the Supreme Leader Ayatollah Sayyid Ali Khamenei, President Hassan Rouhani and Ayatollah Sadeq Larijani Head of the Judiciary. It describes our request for my father Kamal Foroughi to be given clemency and (if he is not released soon) urgent cataract operations to be carried out on his eyes to avoid blindness.

I would appreciate if your Excellency could forward our letter to its intended destinations and please do everything you can to persuade the Iranian authorities to release my father; he is 77 years old and is going blind.

I am very keen to meet with you as soon as possible to discuss my father's ongoing detention.

Yours Sincerely,

Kamran Foroughi (son of Mr. Kamal Foroughi)