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Head of Judiciary
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Your Excellency,

As a member of Amnesty International, I respectfully urge again the Iranian authorities to release immediately and unconditionally ATENA DAEMI, as she is a prisoner of conscience peacefully exercising her rights of expression, association and assembly.

In June 2019, she was sentenced together with GOLROKH EBRAHIMI IRAEE to three more years and seven months of detention, after protesting the executions of ZANYAR MORADI, LOGHMAN MORADI and RAMIN HOSSEIN PANAHI on 8 September 2018. Open letters were sent to the Iranian authorities in which both women also complained about the inhuman conditions of detention within Evins prison.

She was sentenced on 2 July 2020 to two additional years of jail and 74 lashes, because of her peaceful participation with other human right defenders to a sit-in in the ward of the prison, to protest against the murders of demonstrators during the demonstrations of November 2019. Besides dismissing these new charges, I respectfully urge the Iranian authorities to ensure, pending her release, that Atena Daemi has access to qualified health care.

Finally, Atena Daemis allegations of torture or other ill-treatments, including being subjected to violence during her November 2016 arrest, should be investigated and those responsible brought to justice in fair trials.

Respectfully yours,