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NIHR Statement on Fair Trial Guarantees in the Iranian Revolutionary Guard Corps-Linked Case

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In accordance with its independent legal mandate to protect and promote human rights, the National Institution for Human Rights (NIHR) continues to monitor the case involving the principal organization linked to the Iranian Revolutionary Guard Corps, focusing on the observance of defendants' rights and fair trial guarantees throughout the investigation, detention, and trial proceedings. This monitoring is conducted pursuant to Law No. (26) of 2014 establishing NIHR, as amended, with full respect for the independence and jurisdiction of the judiciary.

In this context, NIHR has heard the observations raised by the defense counsel and received a number of complaints concerning the defendants' rights and the legal safeguards afforded to them. NIHR has reviewed and documented these complaints, followed up with the competent authorities, and examined their responses and the measures taken. These actions form part of its independent human rights mandate and do not constitute an endorsement of any allegations raised or conclusions reached by the relevant authorities.

As part of its monitoring of the trial proceedings, NIHR representatives attended 28 court hearings between July and 2 November 2026, observing compliance with legal and procedural safeguards, particularly those relating to the right to defense, access to case files, submission of requests and legal arguments, examination and questioning of witnesses, and the defendants' effective participation in hearings. NIHR also documented the measures taken in response to requests submitted by the defense counsel and continued monitoring matters relating to fair trial guarantees.

NIHR reaffirms its commitment to independently monitoring, documenting, and objectively following up on the proceedings, without favoring any party or interfering with the jurisdiction of the judiciary. It further emphasizes the importance of upholding legal and procedural safeguards at every stage of the proceedings, protecting the rights of defendants, and ensuring the effective exercise of the right to defense and a fair trial, thereby strengthening human rights protection and reinforcing the principles of justice and the rule of law.

Furthermore, NIHR will publicly announce its position should any human rights violations or breaches be identified, in accordance with international, regional, and national human rights frameworks.

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