

Canadian Friends of a Democratic Iran Amis Canadiens d'un Iran Démocratique

April 10, 2019

Hon. Ralph Goodale Minister of Public Safety & Emergency Preparedness 269 Laurier Avenue West Ottawa, K1A 0P8

Dear Minister Goodale:

Re: Call to designate the Iranian regime's Revolutionary Guards (IRGC) and Ministry of Intelligence (MOIS) as terrorist entities in Canada

In our letter to you on January 8, 2019, we urged the Government of Canada to designate the Islamic Revolutionary Guard Corps (IRGC) and the Ministry of Intelligence and Security (MOIS) as terrorist entities. Highlighting a spike in terrorist activities of the Iranian clerical regime around the globe in 2018, we wrote:

"Iran's IRGC malign activities in the volatile Middle East region is well documented. Canada's House of Commons passed a resolution on June 13, 2018, calling on the government to immediately list IRGC as a terrorist entity. PM Justin Trudeau also voted in favour."

On April 8, 2019, the United States designated the entirety of the Islamic Revolutionary Guard Corps (IRGC) as a terrorist group. A senior German security official said the designation is not out of bounds because the IRGC "is an organization which is committing terroristic acts... They do interfere severely in the Middle East, and they have also plotted terroristic acts in Europe." (National Post, April 9, 2019)

The Canadian Friends of a Democratic Iran therefore urges you to act decisively and quickly on this long overdue recommendation.

Sincerely,

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Hon. David Kilgour, JD Co-chair of Canadian Friends of Democratic Iran

CC: Honorable Senators and MPs