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Your Excellency,

The Swedish Union of Journalists represents more than 14 000 journalists in Sweden. The Swedish Union of Journalists condemns the execution of the journalist Ruhollah Zam.

It is clear that Ruhollah Zam was subjected to this barbaric punishment because of his journalistic work. Iran has once again crossed the line of decency to hunt down and silence dissidents. The fact that Iran uses the death penalty is a violation of human rights and international law. Ruhollah Zam cannot get his life back, but we will not forget the heinous crime he was subjected to.

The Swedish Union of Journalists demands that Iran stops its abuse of the legal system to persecute journalists. We call for the immediately release of those held in prison for exercising their fundamental human rights to freedom of expression.

Yours sincerely,



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