

# ICC Board of Directors Meeting

**Date:** Sept 20<sup>th</sup>, 2022

**Attendees:** Moslem Noori, Amir H. Ghaseminejad, Reza Namdari, Arezou Khadir, Saman Tabasinejad, Daniel Sarvestani, Mohammad Rad

Meeting Agenda:

1. Statement on the recent events in Iran.

The meeting of the Board of Directors (BoD) was called to order at 8:04 pm eastern time by Moslem Noori.

- Minutes of this meeting were taken by Reza Namdari.

- The meeting started with discussion regarding the proposed statements on the recent events in Iran and the horrific death of Mahsa Amini
- Mohammad Rad said any statement would be criticized anyway so he proposed video statements by members of the BoD instead of a statement by ICC
- Reza Namdari said that is a good idea but a short statement from ICC would be good. He mentioned the statement proposed by Moslem includes all points and the best short statement possible.
- Amirhassan Ghesseminejad said the difference with his proposal is not being clear what changes are asked from the government.
- Moslem Noori said the proposed statement by him is short and to the point.
- Saman Tabassinejad said she likes the statement by Moslem and thinks that having a short clear statement is better than going into the details.
- Arezou Khadir mentioned that a short statement for something as important as this issue is not good, and many supporters are asking us to be more active on this issue. She has proposed a longer statement with more details on the events in Iran.
- Moslem Noori mentioned that the statement is not a place to educate people, and everybody is very emotional on this issue.
- Saman Tabassinejad suggested changing some words in the statement so it is not passive and can relate the emotional state we are all feeling in this subject.
- Amirhassan Ghasseminejad mentioned that he agrees with Mohammad Rad that this issue is not totally related to ICC, and we should get a vote whether we would want to give a statement or not.
- Saman Tabassinejad mentions that this event is horrifying and tragic and many women has experienced the morality police in Iran. This issue is affecting any woman who goes back to Iran, and it can happen to any Iranian Canadian who travels back to Iran. Many members would want us to give a statement on this issue and we must be active and to the point in our statement.
- A motion was moved by Moslem Noori to see if we give a statement on this subject or not. The motion was seconded by Reza Namdari. o Attending: 7, in favor: 5, o abstention: -- o Against: 2

- Mohammad Rad suggests that we confirm the Farsi translation as well, so we don't have issues later with different translation versions.
- Saman Tabassinejad suggested a new version of the statement to have a better structure.
- Daniel Bagheri Sarvestani suggested adding a sentence condemning violence as well. The discussion on details of the statement goes on by everyone sharing their opinions. 4 different versions of the statement were discussed, and the final statement was put to vote.
- Amirhassan Ghasseminejad had to leave the meeting at 9:35 PM ET.
- A motion was moved by Moslem Noori to vote on the final version of the statement and the Farsi translation. The motion was seconded by Reza Namdari. o Attending: 6, in favor: 5, o abstention: 1 o Against: --
- Mohammad Rad proposed an image to be published with the statement as well.

Meeting was adjourned at 10:02 PM ET.