
SPECIAL MOTION NO. 7 – CONDEMNING THE ACTIONS OF THE IRANIAN REGIME AND REAFFIRMING SUPPORT FOR THE RIGHTS OF WOMEN AND GIRLS AROUND THE WORLD

Standing in the names of:

- (i) Councillor Omid Miri
- (ii) Councillor Laura Janes

This Council unequivocally condemns the brutal actions of the regime in Iran against its own citizens following the murder of an innocent young woman, Mahsa Amini, for non-compliance with the compulsory hijab rule.

Since her murder, widespread protests have erupted across Iran calling for freedom of choice with regards to the hijab and the liberalisation of the political system - these protests have resulted in the deaths of many more Iranians of all ages at the hands of security forces.

On behalf of the large Iranian diaspora community in Hammersmith and Fulham, this Council stands with the Iranian people in their fight for freedom and calls on the UK Government to escalate its condemnation of the regime by summoning the Iranian ambassador immediately.

Furthermore, the Council condemns the ongoing persecution of women and girls in Afghanistan at the hands of the Taliban, and reaffirms its commitment to women's rights across the world.

The Council also calls on the UK Government to do more to provide safe haven and support to Afghans and Iranians, and all refugees, fleeing oppression and conflict - many of them settled in and supported by Hammersmith and Fulham.