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As US organizations committed to women’s rights and justice across the world, we stand in solidarity with the brave people of Iran, overwhelmingly Iranian women and girls, who are demonstrating for their basic rights and strongly condemn the outrageous, widespread, and systematic human rights violations of the Iranian government seeking to silence the Iranian people’s demands.

Since the killing of 22-year-old Mahsa (Jhina) Amini at the hands of Iran’s so-called morality police, Iranian protesters have bravely demonstrated for an end to the nation's mandatory hijab laws and broader system of repression. Women's rights have been the catalyst of these youth-led protests: giving voice and momentum to deeply held grievances of many Iranians that go to the very core of a system that has failed to serve its people, which is why these protests have cut across Iranian society. This injustice is compounded by the reaction of the state to protests, which have been met with internet shutdowns and brutal violence from the Iranian security forces, including beatings, mass arrests and deadly force. More than two hundred have been killed – and that number is likely higher – and thousands have been arrested for voicing their demands and hopes for a brighter future.

We steadfastly support the Iranian people’s demands of “Women, Life, Freedom,” condemn the decades of oppression at the hands of the Iranian authorities and call on them to halt their outrageous violence against peaceful protesters, release all prisoners of conscience and heed the rightful calls of Iranian people for change.

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