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#### **About Mr. Piruz Faghhai Davani**

**Dear Sirs,**

On Tuesday , 10 th, 1998, I have informed you about Kidnapping my brother Pirouz F:  
Davani on Tuesday , in Theran / Iran, August 25<sup>th</sup>, 1998.

Pirouz Faghhai Davani was born in 1961 in Tehran/Iran. With the history of his surroundings involvement in fighting against the Shah's regime, he became familiar with social problems from childhood. With the beginning of the revolution in 1979, he actively joined and participated in the public movements against the Shah's regime. At the beginning of the revolution victory, he joined the left group and with this reason he was captured in 1981 and served 7 months in prison.

With his outstanding leadership characteristics, he organized group discussions among the leftist group with different views to discuss and analyze the New Leftist idea.

Considering the atmosphere for political activities during those dark years, this could only be accomplished in a secret/underground form.

Additionally, his sincere love and care toward political prisoners made him to establish connection with their families and help them in any way he could. Soon, Pirouz became a known face and loveable among political prisoner's families. Many of these mothers were seeing their dead or captured children in Pirouz face.

With his hard work in revealing the Islamic Republic regime's plan in killing group of political prisoners in the summer and fall of 1988, and by informing and getting oppositions from both the public in Iran and abroad, regime stopped the mass murder.

At the end of 1988, beginning 1989 he motivated some relatives of political prisoners to meet Prof. Galindo Pohl, as he was travelling the first time to Iran. Because of an attack of the revolutionsguards the planned meeting couldn't take place. He informed the Coordinationsgroup of this later.

When Prof. Galindo Pohl came to Teheran in 1990 again he had some meetings with several families of political prisoners. In spite of several difficulties, these had been possible because of the activities of Pirouz Faghahi Davani too.

Pirouz activities against the Islamic Republic regime could not be hidden from the eyes of the regime's police and hence he was captured in the winter of 1991 again and placed in an individual cell in the Evin's Prison. Where, he was tortured under various torturing techniques for six (6) months. The Islamic Republic regime knew that Pirouz had contacts with other political groups, and therefor was trying to get names from him. But, Pirouz did not mention even one name and did not reveal the friend's secret with the enemy. Seven months after his capture, he convicted, in a closed court system, to serve three (3) years in prison and receive 50 lashes. One of the reasons; his contact to the Human Rights, general Assembly of the United Nations

In 1993, I, Hossein Faghghai Davani, his brother, informed the International Human Rights organization of Mr. Pirous Faghghai Davani's arrest. On January 20<sup>th</sup>, 1993, I met with Prof. Galindo Pohl in Geneva and provided him Mr. Pirous Faghghai Davani's biography and political activities and his picture.

After his transfer to the public prison cells, considering his characteristics and beliefs, he started organizing a group from the political prisoners. Soon, he became a familiar, favorite, and respected face. For this reason and his activities in the prison, he was transferred to individual cells several times and was forbidden to see or contact his family.

During this period, Pirouz met and became the roommate of Mr. Abbas Amirentezam. In spite of their political views and age differences, they became very good and trustable friends. Pirouz was also became roommate with Mr. Mohammad Ali Amooee, the famous political prisoner at both the Shah's and Khomeini's regimes.

Finally, after four (4) years serving in Evin's prison, he was freed in 1995. The regime's police knew Pirouz characteristics, political beliefs and activities, number of times/years served in prison. Therefore, any underground political activity could have been dangerous for others. With this reason he decided to continue his political activities openly, by finding some holes in the law. According to the law, there is no need to get permission from "Ershad" ministry to publish any type of Bulletins.

Among his activities and achievements is establishing/funding the "Payame Pirouz Research" publishing company. He started publishing a series of Bulletins covering review and analysis of different political views in conjunction with situation of political prisoners and violation of human rights in Iran.

Pirouz also organized and participated in a round table discussion with Dr. Ebrahim Yazdi, Mr. Ezattallah Sahabi, Dr. Habiballah Payman, and himself Pirouz Faghghai Davani in 1995. The items of this round table discussion was published in Iran via "Payame Pirouz Research" publishing company and printed outside of Iran via some Bulletins/news letter such as "Nimrooz" and "Kar".

This Bulletin covers subjects and materials such as: Analysis of political events/news, reason for victory or failure of revolutions in the world, analysis of different news/powers in Islamic Republic of Iran's regime. In one of the issues, with a very detail analysis, he studied and revealed many contradicting points in the law.

In December 1997, he funded the "Union for Democracy in Iran". From the beginning, he had emphasized the need for Democracy, creating independent worker's union, defend political prisoners and known people who are under pressure or attack, support for political prisoner's families, freedom of speech/believe/religion/political group, etc....

On Tuesday August 25th, 1998, the Islamic Republic of Iran, with a sudden attack, captured and kidnapped several political oppositions and previous political prisoners, regardless of their political views/believes, in Iran / Theran. This included even those who were against terrorism and violence such as Mr. Pirouz Faghghai Davani. This was done to create fears among the public after the terror of Assadollah Lajevardi.

Based on the latest news received from Tehran, Mr. Pirouz Faghghai Davani left his house on Tuesday morning August 25th, kidnapped around noon by the police, and nobody has heard or seen him since then.

With his situation (actively working against the regime) and his mother's health problem (currently being hospitalized because of heart attack), he was suppose to call family every 2 hours. Since his family did not hear from him on Tuesday and Wednesday, they start looking for him by contacting all hospitals and police stations in Tehran, but could not get any information on him. Nobody has heard from or seen him since Tuesday August 25th, 1998. His captured/kidnapped news has been broadcasted throughout the world via several Radios (Israel, France, etc...)

On this way also request you Mr. Direcktor helping my brother to save his life and to get freedom.

Yours sincerely,  
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