

In the Name of the Lord of Wisdom and Life

Statement of the Baraye Azadi Group

Regarding the Condemnation of the US Department of State's  
Statement on Faezeh Hashemi Rafsanjani



Faezeh Hashemi Rafsanjani is the daughter of Ayatollah Akbar Hashemi Rafsanjani. The duo of Akbar Hashemi Rafsanjani and Ali Khamenei, as high-ranking officials of the government - and those who laid the pillars of the Islamic Republic - have played a central role in all the crimes and actions of this government against the people and the land of Iran. They also had an influential role in the assassination of political figures after the revolution in order to smooth the political space in Iran for the realization of their goals and complete seizure of power.

This partnership and division of power continued until around the year 2009. At that time, Rafsanjani separated his political path from Khamenei's, and Khamenei inclined towards Ahmadinejad and the Hojjatieh faction.

In fact, the 2009 elections (the emergence of the Green Movement) were a turning point, where the bipolarity of reformists and Fundamentalists (with Rafsanjani leaning towards the reformists and the Green Movement) became more serious in Iran's political landscape.

After that, Hashemi gradually faded into the political background of the Islamic Republic until finally, the potter fell into the pot. Rafsanjani was physically eliminated by an old ally (Ali Khamenei).

To use the terminology of the 1979 Revolutionaries:

The revolution once again devoured its own offspring...

And today, in the year 2023 - with more than 44 years having passed since the 1979 Revolutionaries seized power and the clerical regime ruled Iran - who can deny that the blood of stars, Navids (Navid Afkari), Mahsas (Mahsa Amini), Kians (Kian Prfalak), and thousands of Iranian men, women, children, elders, has been shed in the name of a government of which Hashemi Rafsanjani was one of its founders and stabilizers? Who can deny that Hashemi's positions in his later years were only a superficial change in the appearance of the Islamic Republic and not a fundamental change in its content and essence?

From that time onwards, individuals entered the opposition (the opposition, created by the mullahs regime) arena who, were reformists (actually another form of regime reformists). Their spiritual leader was Hashemi, and after him, his daughter Faezeh took over the responsibility for these formations.

Before the events of 2009, Faezeh Hashemi had no significant role in Iran's political landscape. She only represented her family in expressing support for her father's efforts and actions for the Islamic Republic (actually various crimes against Iran and Iranians) following Khamenei's attacks on her father.

After her father's death, Faezeh took on the responsibility which was to strengthen the front of the reformists (to change the superficial appearance of the Islamic Republic). Her critical remarks against the government, her own and her family's imprisonments (luxury style prisons), financial resources, and media support have been and are part of her privileges for promoting these formations.

But who can deny that Faezeh Hashemi, like her father, has no interest in Iran and Iranians at heart? Who can deny that she, like all regime reformists, aims only to modernize the backward Islamic government? (And not its overthrow)

Faezeh Hashemi is not concerned with secularism, nor territorial integrity. Has she ever expressed any views on these matters and the role of Islamic law in her desired democracy?

Which reformist have you seen clearly define their boundaries with the Mujahideen? Which reformist has ever strongly defended secularism and territorial integrity?

Which reformist has steadfastly defended the right to a referendum to determine the political system by the people (after the overthrow of the Islamic Republic)? Which reformist considers these issues their red lines? Aren't these the fundamental demands of the Iranian people? Didn't thousands of martyrs and tortured individuals like the stars, Nikas (Nika Shakarami), Navids (Navid Afkari), Mahsas (Mahsa Amini) shed blood and not compromise on these?

In the US Department of State's statement regarding Faezeh Hashemi, it is mentioned that she supports compulsory hijab. Have the people of Iran, after enduring oppression and the crimes of the clerical regime for more than forty years, become so insignificant that the ceiling of their demands is optional hijab? So that Faezeh Hashemi becomes a symbol and emblem of their struggles based on this demand?

No...

You are so insignificant that you refuse to accept that optional hijab is only one of the demands and the bottom of the demands of Iranians. Which, of course, they have already achieved with their own courage.

You are so insignificant that you refuse to accept that the primary demand of Iranians is the overthrow of the Islamic Republic (along with all its hidden and obvious hands). And after that, their demand is the establishment of a government with a democratic content (not just a democratic form) determined by their direct vote. A government that enforces secularism, territorial integrity, and democracy, in which all members of society enjoy citizenship rights, economic and social security in line with today's modern world.

This demand is the right of the Iranian people after 44 years of enduring and standing against this reactionary and criminal regime.

People who, unlike in 1979, will not be ensnared by media deceptions and colorful prizes from different organizations.

People who, unlike in 1979, now distinguish between true friends and enemies, real opposition and fake opposition, Iran-loving and Iran-enemies.

Have thousands of freedom fighters died and thousands of freedom-loving people been imprisoned and tortured, just to have another Khomeini carved out for the Iranian people after forty-four years? A modernized Khomeini, colored and perhaps aligned with slogans like women, life, freedom? Would it be Carter's time then, and this time his disciple Biden's?

This is the answer of these people to you: "No"

Just as they shouted in 2017 in the streets: Reformist, Fundamentalists... the story is over...(in farsi: Eslahtalab, Osoolgara...Dige Tamooome Majara)

People who, in the face of your enemies of Iran, from their youth, their sufferings, their loved ones, their hopes, from their hearts over these 44 years... have built a wall to the heights of our homeland... to the heights of Iran...

Iran is always alive...

Long live Iran and Iranians

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