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Your Excellencies,

URGENT REQUEST FOR YOU TO TAKE IMMEDIATE ACTION

I write on behalf of the Construction Forestry Mining & Energy Union in Australia. This trade union represents over 28,000 construction workers in the construction sector in New South Wales, Australia. The Branch takes an active interest in all matters to do with human and trade union rights across the world.

We wish to express our deep and serious concerns regarding the health and well-being of:

- Mr Hamid Athaari, and Mr Aram Ebrahim-khas, who were arrested in Oshnaviyeh in Kurdistan province,
- Mr Taha Azadi, and Javanmir Moradi, who were arrested and then were transferred to a Ministry of Intelligence detention facility for interrogation and who have subsequently been transferred to the Intelligence office in Bushehr
- Mr Shays Amani who was arrested on the eve of 1st May and is a dismissed worker from Kurdistan Textile company,

and the general clampdown on all workers in Iran on May Day.

We are particularly alarmed at reports that advise that Mr Moradi is being deprived use of his glasses and his essential medications – this against all international human rights and conventions.

We respectfully remind you that May Day is celebrated all over the world – it is an international day recognising the worth and struggle of all workers globally, and is for promoting peace and understanding throughout the world. Symbolically May Day knows no geographic, religious or political boundaries.

As workers' representatives and internationalists we demand the immediate release of the aforementioned workers - without any further fear, prejudice or violation against them, or against any other people who may have been arrested in relation to May Day.

We also demand the immediate restoration of human and trade union rights to all workers in Iran.

Yours faithfully

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Peter McClelland', written in a cursive style.

PETER MCCLELLAND
State President