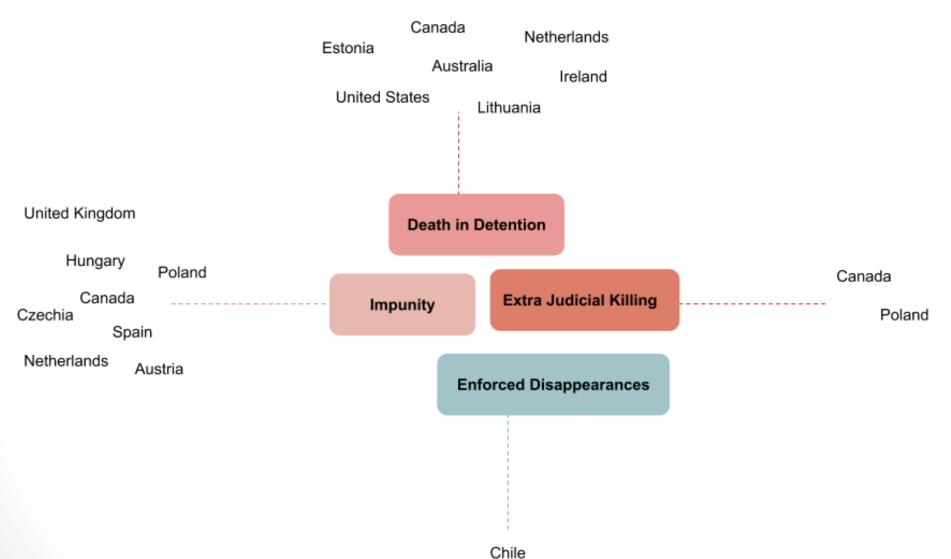
# Universal Periodic Review Pre-Session on Iran

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# ► Recommendations to Iran on duty to investigate abuses

Total	16
Supported	8
Implemented	0

**Lithuania**: ... inquire into all cases of alleged torture in detention facilities and bring those responsible to justice.

**Canada**: Investigate and prosecute all those responsible for the mistreatment or abuse of detained persons in Iran ...

**Chile**: Ensure that competent bodies investigate allegations of torture, enforced disappearance and secret detention, that those responsible are punished and that programmes providing reparation for victims are established.

**Netherlands**: Take measures to ensure that Government and security officials implicated in human rights abuses relating to extrajudicial and arbitrary detention and the possible use of torture are investigated, prosecuted and punished.



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- **Spain**: investigate and prosecute all public officials and Basij paramilitary members suspected of torture, ill treatment or extrajudicial execution
- Hungary: Carry out independent investigations into serious abuses against participants in peaceful demonstrations, and hold the perpetrators accountable for their crimes
- Poland: Conduct an independent investigation regarding killings, arrests and detentions following
  the demonstrations following the 2009 presidential elections, including the possible excessive use
  of force by security forces
- Czechia: Establish strict accountability of members of the police and military, prison and detention personnel and the judiciary for any violations of human rights, in particular for torture
- **Argentina**: Take the necessary measures to enhance international legal cooperation in cases of serious violations of human rights and ensure the right to truth and justice.



#### Events of December 2017- Early 2018

Extrajudicial killings of protesters, Unlawful deaths in detention





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### Extrajudicial killings of protesters Unlawful deaths in custody

Date	Location	Pattern
31 December 2017	<ul><li>Lorestan</li><li>Tehran</li><li>Arak</li><li>Sanandaj</li></ul>	<ul> <li>Police forces shot dead 2 protestors</li> <li>Evin prison authorities detain a protestor and 6 days later claim he hanged himself in the toilet, dismiss his case as a 'drug addict' and intimidated his family to cancel his memorial service</li> <li>Police authorities detain a protestor and 10 days later instruct his family to collect his body, dismiss his case as a 'drug addict' and harass his family to conduct burial according to state specifications</li> <li>Ministry of Intelligence authorities detain a protestor and 11 days later claim he was shot dead in an altercation and force his father to take part in a video-taped forced confession</li> </ul>
1 January 2018	• Isfahan	Police shot dead 6 protestor
24 January 2018	• Tehran	<ul> <li>Evin authorities detain an environmentalist and 16 days later claim he committed suicide, harass his brother to take part in video- taped forced confession</li> </ul>
20 February 2018	• Tehran	<ul> <li>Authorities detain a protestor, who 15 days later dies of blows to his head. They harass his family to bury hid body according to state specifications</li> </ul>



## The massacres of political prisoners 1988

"Undertake thorough and independent investigation into the 1988 massacres."

Asma Jahangir, the UNSR on Iran, 5 March 2018







#### 1980s Mass Graves

- Justice for Iran has located 70 mass graves
- investigation into a further 50 sites continues
- Between 2016 to
  2018 Iranian
  authorities destroyed
  5 sites in Ahwaz,
  Kurdestan, Rudsar,
  Tabriz & Mashhad



June 2017 August 2017 September 2017

Justice

for Iran

Satellite images showing the progress of construction over a suspected mass grave in Vadieh Rahmat cemetery in Tabriz, Iran



Destruction of a suspected mass grave site Vadie Rahmat cemetery, Tabriz, Iran

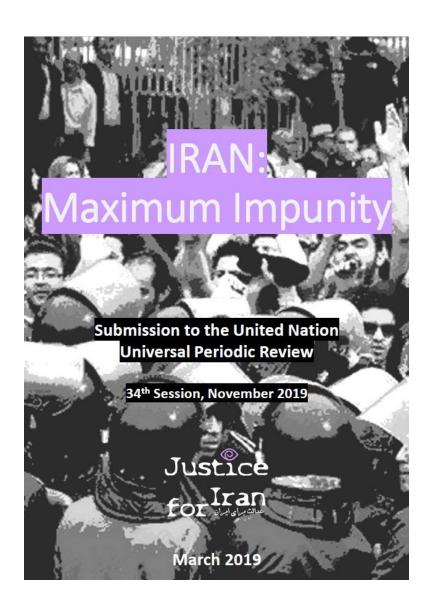


#### The Death Commissions



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A Submission by Justice for Iran





#### Recommendations

- ◆ Conduct impartial, transparent and independent investigations concerning extrajudicial killings and unlawful deaths in custody in late December 2017-early 2018.
- Outlaw and end use of torture and ill-treatment to obtain forced confessions and broadcasts.
- ♦ End intimidation, harassment and prosecution of relatives of victims of enforced disappearances, extrajudicial killings and other human rights violations.
- ◆ Provide society and survivors of victims of enforced disappearance, extrajudicial killings and unlawful deaths, the truth about details of events surrounding their fates, and bring those responsible to justice.
- ♦ Remove from their positions and put on trial perpetrators of the 1988 massacre, including the current and previous Ministers of Justice and the Head of Judiciary.
- ♦ Cease to destroy sites of mass graves of the 1988 massacres' political prisoners and ensure the locations are preserved and protected.

