

Call: Condemn legalised paedophilia and child rape in the Islamic Republic of Iran

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The Guardian Council has now approved the bill passed by the Islamic regime of Iran's Majlis or parliament for the 'protection' of children and young people [1], which includes a clause allowing men to marry their adopted daughters with the permission of a court. The bill had previously been denied and sent back for review because it had originally banned the marriage of step-fathers and their adopted daughters; the Guardian Council found this to be in contradiction with Islamic Sharia law. The law legalising paedophilia and child rape has sparked outrage in Iran and across the globe though it is touted as an attempt to solve problems related to the hijab or veil in the family. An adopted daughter is expected to wear the veil in the presence of her father and a mother is expected to do so in the presence of her adopted son if he is old enough.

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Fitnah - Movement for Women's Liberation and Children First Now unequivocally condemn this inhuman law. This law, like many other laws in the Islamic regime of Iran, violates the dignity and rights of children. And it must be stopped.

If you haven't already signed our petition, please join the over 9,500 others who have and do it now [2]. Also forward it to 10 friends or acquaintances and Tweet against the law: #Iran #No2LegalPaedophilia. You can also write to Ali Khamenei, Iran's Leader, info_leader@leader.ir, Twitter: @khamenei_ir or to Hassan Rouhani, President, media@rouhani.ir, Twitter: @hassanrouhani

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On 22 September 2013, one day before the start of the school year in Iran, the Islamic Republic of Iran's Majlis or parliament passed a law permitting a stepfather to marry his adopted child.

In defence of the law, one Member of Parliament said: "According to Islam, every child who is accepted as an adopted child is not considered a real child. Islamic jurisprudence and Sharia law allow the guardian of the child to marry and have sex with his step-child."

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Here are five things you can do on 11 October, International Day of the Girl Child, to condemn legalised paedophilia and child rape, and demanding dignity, security and rights for all girls and children in Iran and beyond:

1. Tweet against the law: #Iran #No2LegalPaedophilia
2. Sign our petition and forward it to 10 friends or acquaintances.
3. Write to Ali Khamenei, Iran's Leader, info_leader leader.ir, Twitter: @khamenei_ir or to Hassan Rouhani, President, media rouhani.ir, Twitter: @hassanrouhani demanding an end to child rape and paedophilia.
4. Publicise the campaign on social media including by changing your Facebook profile change to our campaign poster.
5. Do an act of solidarity on the internet, in your city square, at work, at your university... in support of children's rights and against the law.

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* http://fitnah.org/fitnah_campaign_english/fitnah_childrape_campaigns.html

Footnotes

[1] http://www.radiofarda.com/a/f14_guardian_cunsil_confirms_marriage_stepchild_laws/25133741.html

[2] https://secure.avaaz.org/en/petition/An_end_to_legalised_paedophilia_and_child_rape_in_Iran