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FOLLOW-UP TO MEDICAL LETTER-WRITING ACTION

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AMPUTATIONS IN IRAN

Further reports of amputations taking place in the months of March and April this year have been received. Please see the details attached. Continued appeals from medical professionals are requested. Again, please write on professional headed paper in your personal professional capacity, without mention of AI. The larger medical groups are asked to send no more than 200 appeals. This is in order that appeals are seen to be received from a broad spread of countries. Letters should:

- . express concern at these further reports of amputation
- . state that you hold amputation to be a form of cruel, inhuman and degrading punishment which violate international standards of human rights
- . seek information on the number of amputations that are carried out and information on who performs the amputations

ADDRESSES

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