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## ... **AND NOW THEY HANG WOMEN**

On June 18th the Islamic Republic of Iran hanged ten women, three of them teen-age girls. Their "crime" was refusal to recant their faith.

They were Bahá'ís and as Bahá'ís believed in:

- The unity of mankind
- The unity of all religions
- The equality of all races
- The equality of men and women
- Universal education
- Universal peace
- The harmony of science and religion

Iran's mullahs threaten to destroy the entire Bahá'í community. The judge who condemned the women to death, and recently sent seven Bahá'í men to the gallows, warned: "The Islamic nation will, God willing, fulfill the prayer mentioned in the Koran, 'Lord, leave not one single family of infidels on earth.'"

The President of the United States appealed to the Ayatollah Khomeini to stop the killings, and the Congress in a concurrent resolution has condemned the persecution.

**Only the concerted pressure of world public opinion can avert a tragedy of appalling proportions: genocide.**

We invite Americans of all races and creeds to express support of Presidential and Congressional appeals to end these killings. The people of the United States should be in the forefront of world demands that the barbarous persecution of a peaceful community cease.

**For the Bahá'ís of America**

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