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## **Nafiseh Azad, Member of One Million Signatures Campaign Released after 6 Days Detention**

Thursday 5 February 2009



*Change for Equality:* Nafiseh Azad was released from detention late afternoon on Wednesday February 4, 2009 after spending six days in detention at Vozara Detention Center. She was released on a third party guarantee in the amount of 500 Million Rials (roughly \$50,000). The first Security Branch of the Prosecutor's Office of the Revolutionary Courts changed the arrest order into a third party guarantee bail order, allowing this women's rights activist to be released from prison.

Azad was arrested on January 30, 2009 in the Tochal mountains north of Tehran. She was arrested while she was accompanying two other members of the One Million Signatures Campaign as they were being escorted by police, in the hopes of being able to convince the officials to not arrest them. The other two members of the Campaign were released within a day, but Azad's arrest order was extended and she was transferred to Vozara Detention Center. During this time in detention, she was subjected to several interrogation session, and she was charged

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with actions against national security, through the spreading of propaganda against the state. Campaign members and Azad herself steadfastly deny such charges, as according to Iranian law, the collection of signatures is not considered to be a criminal act.