Statement of Sympathy with the People of Our Beloved Country, Iran

With a sad and heavy heart, we express our sympathy with the people of Iran – a people once again caught amid the fire of war, bombardment, repression, prison, torture and death. For almost five decades, the Iranian nation has lived not under the normal conditions of a free people, but in a state of national hostage-taking under the rule of the Islamic Republic – a regime that throughout these years has not shied away from repression, executions, torture, massacres, humiliation, impoverishment, the plundering of the country's resources and the destruction of the human dignity of Iranians; a regime that has always placed its ideological survival above the lives, security, prosperity and future of the Iranian nation. Over these 47 years, the people of Iran have tried every possible peaceful path: from taking part in elections and placing their hopes in reform and moderation, to repeatedly taking to the streets in historic protests – from 18 Tir and the Green Movement, through the Aban protests and the nationwide "Woman, Life, Freedom" uprising, to the Iranian uprising of Dey 1404 (January 2026) under the banner of the Lion and Sun, which this regime tried to crush by killing tens of thousands of the finest young people, men and women of this land. Time and again, the people of Iran have shown that they do not want this regime and that they have risen to reclaim their country.

At this historic moment, Prince Reza Pahlavi stands as a unifying voice for millions of Iranians, with a call for national unity, the preservation of human dignity and a peaceful transition to a secular and democratic Iran. For many, he is not only a symbol of the continuity of Iran's national identity, but also a living hope for a future free from repression, division and fear.

The Islamic Republic's answer to this nation has always been bullets; its answer has been to blind young people; its answer has been prison, torture, rape, executions and permanent terror. This regime has not only closed every path to

reform, but has brought Iran to a point where our people are suffering at the same time from an external war and from the internal violence of this government. Even in this climate of war and insecurity, the Islamic Republic has not reduced its repression; according to human rights reports, it has in fact intensified the wave of executions and death sentences. The UN Independent International Fact-Finding Mission has reported an unprecedented increase in executions in Iran and warned that a number of detainees are being pushed towards the death penalty through hasty proceedings that violate the right to a fair trial. New reports also stress that, amid the crisis and in the name of national security, the Iranian government has continued arbitrary, secret and increasing executions alongside mass arrests. This is a clear sign that the Islamic Republic is using the war not to protect the people, but to intensify intimidation, silence society and close the domestic space even further.

With all our hearts, we are worried about and mourn for the life of every single Iranian civilian – the women, children, elderly people and innocent families who in these days are exposed to danger, injury, displacement and the loss of loved ones. No awakened conscience can be indifferent to the suffering of ordinary people. The people of Iran are the main victims of this catastrophe.

At the same time, it must be said plainly that the primary responsibility for bringing Iran to this point lies with the Islamic Republic – a regime that has turned the country into an arsenal of crises, military adventurism, missile-building, enemy-making and permanent threats against the Iranian nation and the region.

If Iran is exposed to war and destruction today, the root of this situation must be sought in the survival of this very system. We believe that the stand taken by the United States and Israel against the Islamic Republic is, in essence, a stand against a regime that holds hostage not only the people of Iran but also the security of the region and the world. This confrontation is not directed against the people of Iran, but against a government whose first and greatest victims have been the people of Iran.

Nevertheless, we stress that in any military action, protecting the lives of Iranian civilians must receive the highest possible priority. The people of Iran are neither human shields of the Islamic Republic nor accomplices in its crimes. The world must draw a clear and moral distinction between the Iranian nation and the rulers imposed upon it.

The Iranian nation deserves life, freedom, security, prosperity and dignity. Iran deserves a future in which no mother ever again loses her child – not in the street, not in prison, not in a torture chamber and not under the rubble of war. We stand with the people of Iran: with their pain, with their dignity and with their inalienable right to free themselves from the Islamic Republic and to build a free, national and humane future. And once again we declare with a clear voice: the Islamic Republic is responsible for all this bloodshed, destruction and suffering.

Long live Iran

Long live the Iranian nation

Patriotic Doctors of Iran