NATIONAL SPIRITUAL ASSEMBLY of the Bahá'ís of the United States

October 25, 2016

To all Local Spiritual Assemblies and registered Bahá'í groups

Dearest Bahá'í Friends,

We have received news from the Universal House of Justice of yet another instance of horrific brutality meted out to one of the blameless followers of the Blessed Beauty in the land of our Faith's birth.

The attached letter from the Supreme Body—an English translation of the Persian original, communicated to the friends in Iran on October 19—supplies details of the murder of Mr. Farhang Amírí, a modest and honorable man, innocent of wrongdoing, in the city of Yazd, not far from where his father and six other relatives had, 61 years earlier, themselves tragically quaffed the cup of martyrdom.

The letter also relates encouraging signs of the growing desire among fair-minded Iranians that the relentless harassment of Bahá'ís be brought to a halt and that those who have been victims of it receive just and fair treatment under the law.

Please ensure that this mailing is shared with all the members of your Bahá'í community as soon as possible. You may, in addition, wish to share it with the friends who will gather for the Feast of Qudrat in a few days.

Let us join our prayers with those of the Supreme Institution and our fellow-believers across the world for the progress of Mr. Amírí's precious soul and for the solace of his dear wife, children, and other family members.

With loving Bahá'í greetings,

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