

## ***Organization for Defending Victims of Violence***

### **Item 4: ID with SR on Iran**

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**Mr. President,**

We would like to raise two points with the SR on Iran:

١. We call on his excellency to use all capacities at hand to play a more constructive role in establishing a dialogue with the country in order to be able to contribute to promotion of human rights domestically. We would encourage his excellency to review the role played so far as a country mandate holder and the impacts of the activities of his mandate on human rights of the people inside Iran and to take steps in order to play a more effective role and to get involved in a positive engagement with the government, Iran-based NGOs and academia.
  
٢. We note that the economic sanctions are briefly touched upon in the report, however, we would expect the Special Rapporteur to discuss the extent, the scope and scale of the negative impacts of sanctions on all human rights of all Iranians. We note that there is a mandate holder to address such effects, but we expect the Special Rapporteur not to overlook the sanctions as one the most harmful root causes of all the complexities that the Iranian people are facing today.