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*We say No Deportations to Iran
We mean Human Rights in Canada*

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The Honourable Chris Alexander, P.C., M.P.
Citizenship and Immigration Canada

CC: Premier Stephen Harper,
Minister John Baird, Foreign Affairs
Minister Steven Blaney, Public Safety

Please allow me to take a moment of your time for an urgent matter. With twelve more days left before Azam Sharifi Oliabee's deportation from Canada to an uncertain future and possibly harm. We are asking you to stop Azam's deportation process.

Instead of describing her case We would rather refer to [Minister John Baird's statement](#) published recently in the Foreign Policy magazine on June 14, 2014 describing the human rights situation in Iran, the country where your administration is taking the risk to send an innocent refugee. We would just re-state here a paragraph related to women's conditions in Iran:

"Iran's campaign for international legitimacy continued in April with its successful bid to be appointed to the U.N. Economic and Social Council's Commission on the Status of Women (CSW), a body committed to women's empowerment and equality with men. Iranian women cannot get a passport without their husband's permission, and are barred from running for the presidency of Iran, yet their rulers purport to be advocates for women on the international stage. Most shockingly, Iran's appointment to the Commission came only a few weeks after the Rouhani government upheld the hanging sentence of a 26 year-old victim of sexual assault."

Azam's life will be in jeopardy if she is sent back to Iran. I am pleading with you to let her stay in Canada or at least give her the dignity of leaving Canada as a free woman in order to seek refuge in a third country. She has been a law abiding resident of Canada for the past three years and there is no indication in her deeds to deviate from the rule of law. We appreciate if you can stop her deportation.

Sincerely,
Medi Shams on behalf of No Deportations to Iran.