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Reference: qlxvqj44**Date:** Saturday, May 18, 2024**Type:** Human rights violation**Original:** English**Consent:** The nature of the allegation is such that consent cannot be obtained, e.g. the victim(s) is/are dead or has/have been subject to an enforced disappearance

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Victims

Name: Arvin Ghahremani**Type:** Individual**Sex:** Male**Victim is a child (under 18 years of age)?** No**Nationality:** Iran (Islamic Republic of)**Ethnic, religious, social or other background:** Jewish**Other status:** Religious minority

Submitted by

Name: American Center for Law and Justice**Type:** Group**Email:** [REDACTED]**Telephone:** [REDACTED]**Address:**
[REDACTED]**Describe the activities of the group/community, civil society or other entity:**

The American Center for Law & Justice (ACLJ) is a non-profit, non-governmental organization dedicated to defense of human rights.

Contact persons of the group/community, civil society or other entity:

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Disclosure

Does the alleged victim(s) or group/community agree to have their name(s) disclosed in a letter that may be sent to the Government, or others, such as intergovernmental organisations including United Nations entities, businesses, military or security companies?
No - The ACLJ is not in contact with the victim or his family. The ACLJ cannot obtain consent due to the urgent nature of the case.

Does the alleged victim(s) agree to have their name(s) appear in a public report to the Human Rights Council?
No - The victim's name is widely reported in the international media.

Case details

Country where the incident allegedly occurred/is occurring/might occur: Iran (Islamic Republic of)**District:** Kermanshah**Please provide a short chronological summary of the incident: what happened; when (date/time); who was involved?**

In November 2022, a Jewish man, Arvin Ghahremani, 20, was attacked by seven men. One man, Amir Shokri, stabbed Ghahremani with a knife. Ghahremani disarmed him and then stabbed Shokri. Ghahremani was convicted of intentional murder and was sentenced to death. According to the reports, Ghahremani may be executed as soon as Monday, May 20, 2024.

The ACLJ requests the Special Procedures to take urgent action to protect Ghahremani from being executed by the Iranian Government.

Are there witnesses to the incident? Don't know

Is there evidence or substantiating information concerning the incident? Don't know

Does the alleged victim believe she/he was targeted due to her/his Religious background

Has the incident been reported to the relevant authorities? Yes

Please include details of any complaints filed or any other action taken by the alleged victim(s) or anyone else on their behalf?

The case has been reported widely in international media. E.g., <https://nypost.com/2024/05/18/world-news/iran-preparing-to-execute-jewish-man/>

Has the Government taken action to prevent or investigate the incident, punish the perpetrators, or ensure compensation to the alleged victim(s)? Don't know

Is this case under consideration by any other international or regional body? Don't know
executions

In cases of alleged violations of the right to life in connection with the death penalty, information on shortcomings with regard to fair trial guarantees (unfair laws or proceedings, charges, appeals, execution is imminent, etc.)

The proceedings appear to be unfair as Ghahremani was defending himself.

In cases of imminent violations of the right to life, the reason for which the person(s)'s life is feared to be at risk (death threats, imminent expulsion or refoulement leading to a life-threatening situation, etc.)

Ghahremani was sentenced to death. He may be executed as soon as Monday, May 20, 2024.

Perpetrators

Is the identity/occupation of the alleged perpetrator(s) known? Yes

The Iranian Government.

Were the alleged perpetrators State agents or believed to be State agents? Yes

Law enforcement and Iranian judiciary.

If the alleged perpetrators were State agents, were they acting in their official capacity? Yes

In their judicial capacity.