

# Statement of Support for Iranian Universities

With each passing hour, we hear more disturbing news about the Iranian regime's treatment of dissidents, particularly university students and faculty. Peaceful demonstrations on campuses across the country on December 7<sup>th</sup> were met with violence. Some Iranian universities are now reporting mass expulsions and arrests. We members of the American university community declare our solidarity with our Iranian colleagues and their students. The regime must end its campaign against the universities and against the wider civil society. The regime's force is not an acceptable substitute for a public argument about Iran's future course.

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