

In the Name of God

Head of Judiciary

Dear Mr. Ayatollah Shahroodi

I was arrested in November 2000 without explanation about accusation and its reasons and was sent to Evin Prison together with Mr. Ezatollah Sahabi . Primary subjects of accusation with topics of promoting against government cause public anxiety and insult to the supreme leader and you as head of judiciary , was related to my speech in ‘ objection to creating politics obstruction ‘ event At Amirkabir University dated 7 , Nov 2000 .

After spending about 8 days in public part of Evin Prison, I was transferred to Evin Prison 240, solated part, and security investigation stated which included abusive language and mandatory behaviors. After continuous investigation for 1 week in addition to sleeplessness and forcing to stand in front of wall for couple of hours and stopping rest and threat to different types of torture, I was moved to prison of 56 which was managed by the revolutionary guard. They did because I refused to accept the investigator's request to admit charge of overthrowing regime , making confess against my activities and reject my belief before imprisonment specially my speech in Amirkabir university, apologize from supreme leader ayatollah Seyed Ali Khamenei and President of Justice Ministry, and reply to questions which were out of arrest Charges. After 24 hours sleeplessness, the guards laid me in back seat of a car, while wrapping in blanket and my eyes was being blindfolded. I was transferred to the place that investigators called ‘ Ghosts Darkroom ‘and I later realized it is Sepah Pasdaran 59 house of definition. At that night, I was exposed to beating and foul language by a violant investigator then I was forced to speak about subjects unrelated to accusation, Contrary to my rights and tendency. After that time, intensity and violence of bodily and spiritual pressures, privation and isolative increases gradually and continuously in such a way that after one month, my resistance broke and my personality collapse, and like a child in a strange place, I went far from my past and become a person without any will and intension, like a wax in investigator’s hands and investigator was dominate over me.

In such a crucial situation, like a psychologically patient, I gradually went from far from society and from my personality. I was in a condition that was not able to stand and oppose the investigator and could decrease intensity of investigator’s requesting only .At this period. Investigator’s request was first telling their theories about national files such as university dormitory of Tehran, Khoram Abad events, performance of Tahkim Vahdat office &

student's movement, and neat trying to get confession about reformists and political competitors, and to get reply via pressure, inculcate upon predetermined plans. After my rejections in 45 days bad conditions which were climax of pressures and privations, it changed to video interview and declaredly of contrition. I compelled to participate in that interview to not to be forced to say wrong confessions about others and national events and student's movement, in proviso of analytic interview, nit to report nor reveal. Arrangement of mandatory interview was in this way that first chief investigator dictate basics and discussing with investigator, primary text of interview prepared, coordinated with team of investigators . There were three edited video interview within prison together with investigator's team. Video was sent for inspector's team and a new text become ready upon inspector's view and changes in last interview. I had the text to memorize it. After one day experience.

I was transferred to a place in Eshrat Abad garrison to have interview with professional cinematography group. Suddenly I saw reporter and cinematography group of "TV and Radio". Investigator asked me does not react. I surrendered for I did not have right of "being myself "which is first right of human being and I have not independent will and I was afraid suffer to get wrong confession against others. However arrangement of mandatory interview that I pretend it is voluntary was other bitter story, which shows there is no boundary for group profits in order to destroy the fact. At first investigator sat in the chair while reporter and cinematography & group of "TV and Radio" were present. I was against him looking at camera . I read pre-written text continuously without any question and answer. Of course, sometimes I looked at a text. Cinematography included whole interview in half an hour cassettes separately. Investigator declared that this video is necessary for investigators team and there is no relationship with "TV and Radio " . Then reporter of "TV and Radio " (Mr ,Falah) sat on the chair and ask questions of predetermined format. I replied as they wanted which was recorded on sparrred cassettes during more than one hour .In fact , I spoke words that were not mine , but were those of investigators team . It was like a movie that me as an actor was in a role of speaker and investigators as a director. However although judge of dossier obviously declared that it is internal interview and will not broadcast in media , against agreement , the interview were on air in news programs of "TV and Radio " with some edits .During that period , they get some contrition letters from me to judge of dossier , president of justice ministry and public council of " Tahkim Vahdat " office , similar to interview arrangement which was dictated and imposing . None of them were my own opinion, but from personality which was built

during investigation. In addition, there were pressures on me to write in separate format about active reformist and students based on what investigators inculcate. Finally, with God's mercy, I was transferred to prison while I was mentally distressed and I was going to commit suicide by electric cable several times .So I could find my real personality, standing against investigators, rejecting their requests and at the first chance, I reported all lying confessions to judge of dossier, At first time, I met my family, I explained summary of privation to report for public. Again , threat and pressure started and they threatened to keep me in No 59 prison for several years and long term prison for years , without defend in public and so on .They repeated that judge and court have no role in this dossier and they decide only . In July 2001, my arrest changed to 2 billion Rials collateral .Although my family prepared whole collateral confirmedly Justice Specialist as a real estate document, in August 2001. I was kept at No 59 prison until December 2001 in solitary cell, without any investigation in last 3 months. The most important mental and bodily harm and torment in this 356 ays arrest are as follows:

- 328 days isolated imprisonment which 127 days were in an isolated cell 2* 1.3 m , and 200 days in a 3 * 6 m cell
- Being in high ranking security and military prisons
- Being in Intelligence Guarding of Defense ministry where its cells are close to Mehr Abad Airport, that continuous cacophony and loud voices of airplanes do not leave any time to relieve
- Beating and assault with closed eyes and fool language , insult and scurrility
- Continuous sleeplessness such as 4 days in one period
- Repeated threat to execution , preparing stage and doing some steps of pretended , Execution and effort to convince writing testament
- Long term keeping standing against the wall
- Threat to different continuously including sex pressure
- Threat to arrest family and friends
- Feeling privation and prevention to have free and effective relationship with family and layers
- Lack of awareness and privation to have book and newspaper for 8 months and total privation for TV ,Radio and reformist media
- Closing eyes during all time being in house of definition
- To bring near the bed to hit by cable and doing introduction

- Wide mental pressures
- Being in cold place in such a way that mostly I was kept at cold in Winter
- Bad healthful conditions
- Privation to have free phone conversation and having limits to have phone call when investigator is present
- Limit and privation for walking for pure air in such a way that there was minutes a day for the first 4 months of imprisonment , in small years of house of definition whit eyes closed
- Cheating and lying to hide the fact of political situation and student's movement
- Transferring wrong and lying news quoted by friends and reformist political activists
- Transferring from prison to court by ambulance (sometimes laying on stretcher)
- Unlimited investigation in all fields , unrelated to accusation

After freedom by 2 billion Rials collateral , I aware and explain the events of prison period through media interviews and sending letters to high ranking authorities of country and by track matters legally , I wanted my spoiling rights , however, unfortunately I received no reply. Instead I went to prison for 2 more years with non-reasonable accusation and pay for standing on my human rights and position

Dear Mr,Shahroodi

What happened to me in this dossier was whole mirror of violation which once you count for Justice Systems, As long as subjects and stage designer of these violations art not punished for their non-lawful and manlike behavior, real reform in Justice Systems is not expected.

Now, after more than 55 month of forming dossier and 44 months from freedom by billion Rials collateral, 23 August 2005 is declared to me as a time of court. Therefore, according to above mentioned explanation and political nature of accusation, obligation of just legal procedure, universal declaration of human rights, religious lines and my rights as a human being mandates that my court according to rule168 of constitution, dispose in open session, with presence of jury. Since video interview gotten from me during imprisonment, was broadcasting in news of "TV and Radio" with wide promotion and for many viewers, therefore, there is no reason to reject open court based on security reasons. If to present so-called explanatory subjects about behaviors against country's security (in view of those gentlemen) in media during imprisonment has no

security problem , So defenses included groundless accusation and interview in order to measure the level of fact in accusation has no security problem also.

No debt that to dispose open court is the most suitable way for true judgment of public opinion and activist students about events of this dossier and its margin as a part of contemporary history and way of justice and security behavior with a activist student.

Quality of my court could be another exam to measure acclaimed reforms in justice system and level at which citizenship rules executed.

Therefore, I insistently want to expose open and justice procedure courts
Regards

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