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WASHINGTON, DC, USA, April 27, 2018 /EINPresswire.com/ -- [Organization of Iranian American Communities \(OIAC\)](#) welcomes the passage, in the U.S. House of Representatives, of bipartisan Iran Human Rights and Hostage-Taking Accountability Act (H.R. 4744). This legislation highlights Iranian regime's ominous record of hostage-taking and human rights abuses, including the 1988 massacre of 30,000 political prisoners. The bill also mandates, or demands the imposition of U.S. sanctions on Iranian regime officials and business for these crimes.

We applaud Chairmen Ed Royce (R-CA), Michael McCaul (R-TX), Ranking Member Elliot Engel (D-NY), and Rep. Ted Deutch (D-FL) for their leadership on this legislation. We further thank Judge Ted Poe (R-TX) for his guidance, and the bi-partisan members of congress for their role in holding Iranian regime accountable for flagrantly disregarding fundamental rights of the Iranian people. The legislation condemns, "the barbaric mass executions carried out over a four-month period in 1988," when ["thousands of political prisoners were executed by hanging and firing squad"](#) for refusing to renounce their political affiliations."

Today, Iran's barbaric regime the leading per capita executioner of its own citizens in the world, while also systematically persecuting ethnic and religious minorities. We agree with House Foreign Affairs Committee leadership in that, irrespective of U.S. policy decisions on the JCPOA, Iranian regime remains "dangerous and threatening" to the U.S., its allies, and to the Iranian people.

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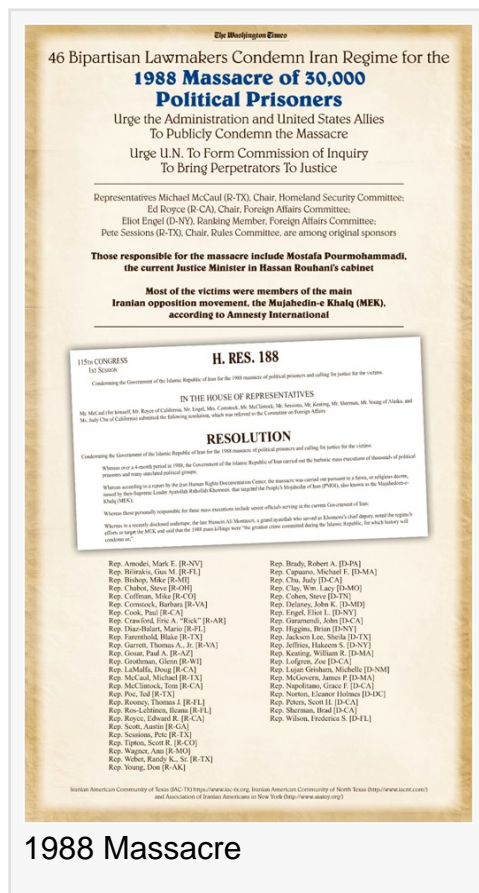
In our ongoing effort to mitigate this threat, 1,000 delegates from 40 States will attend the [Iran Freedom Convention in Washington, DC](#) to support this congressional sentiment and to echo the call by the Iranian people for a democratic regime change in Iran.

About OIAC: The Organization of Iranian-American communities-US (OIAC), all-volunteers non profit

organization, believes democracy and human rights in Iran are imperative to the national security of America and peace in the Middle East and beyond.

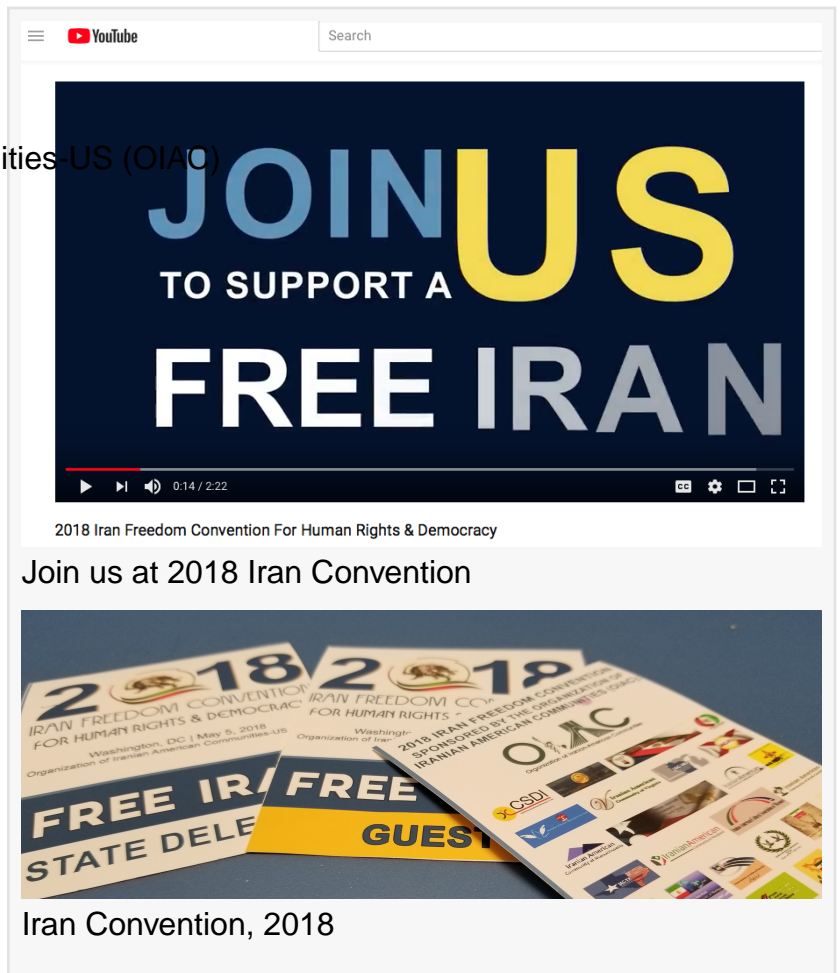
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