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**STATEMENT FROM THE SECRETARIAT OF REZA PAHLAVI OF IRAN
REGARDING TODAY'S EVENTS IN TEHRAN, IRAN**

Today's bombing assassination in Tehran of a university professor leaves us all with many questions and increased concerns over the direction and militant environment that is engulfing our nation. There is no denying that the greatest perpetration of violence and crime against our citizenry is formally sanctioned by the regime's most senior decision makers. This must stop. Having long been an advocate of a campaign of civil disobedience as the most effective method of defiance against the clerical regime, I condemn the act of violence today, including all individuals and or groups that are in anyway associated with its perpetration. I deeply regret this and all recent loss of life in Iran, and once again appeal to our nation's law enforcement bodies to side with their compatriots in defense of their safety, security and honor.

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