

# DON'T LET THEM STEAL HER SIGHT

ZEYNAB JALALIAN IRAN

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She's in prison for life and she's going blind because the authorities won't provide her the treatment she needs.

Zeynab Jalalian, aged 34, was a political activist working to empower Iran's ethnic minority Kurds, particularly women.

In 2008, she was jailed for her supposed links to the military wing of a Kurdish opposition group. Her trial was grossly unfair. Not only was it over within a few minutes, but she was sentenced based on "confessions" she says she made after enduring months of torture. There was also no evidence linking her to armed activities, and she was not allowed to communicate with her lawyer.

Before her trial, she was held in a cell on her own for eight months. During this time, says Zeynab, she was flogged on the soles of her feet,

and her head was repeatedly rammed against a wall, fracturing her skull and causing bleeding in the brain.

Today Zeynab suffers from a severe eye condition that urgently needs specialist surgery. Yet the authorities won't permit it.

She needs our help. Iran's authorities took away her freedom – we can't let them take away her sight.

**Tell Iran to release Zeynab and give her the urgent medical care she needs.**

**WRITE A LETTER  
CHANGE A LIFE**



### Write to the Head of the Judiciary in Iran

Urge him to allow Zeynab the vital medical care she needs, and make sure that she is swiftly released.

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### Show Zeynab that she is not alone

Send her your drawings and messages of solidarity and hope.

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