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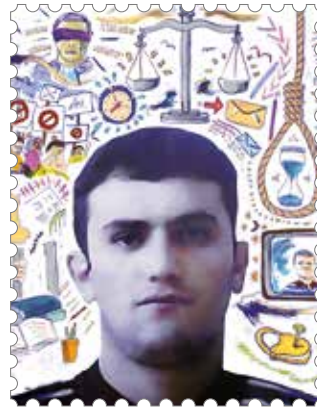


# TORTURED FOR 97 DAYS AND SENTENCED TO DEATH AT 17

**SAMAN NASEEM IRAN**

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Saman Naseem, a member of Iran's Kurdish minority, was captured after a gun battle in northwest Iran which led to the death of a Revolutionary Guard, a kind of government soldier. He was, he says, blindfolded, hung upside-down and tortured into confessing to a crime he did not commit. He was just 17 years old.

Saman's treatment has been grossly unfair. The courts used his "confession" as evidence against him, refusing to believe or investigate his allegation that it had been forced out of him. He was even made to confess on state television.

In spite of the fact that Iran has signed up to an international ban on executing minors, Saman was sentenced to death in April 2013

for "enmity against God" and "corruption on earth", "crimes" that simply wouldn't stand up under international law.

However, there is hope. Huge campaigning efforts have secured Saman a retrial, and now continuing global pressure can prevent a repeat.

**Help Saman get a fair trial, where forced confessions and the death penalty have no place.**

**WRITE A LETTER  
CHANGE A LIFE**



### Write to the Iranian authorities

Call on Iran to ensure Saman gets a retrial that is fair and fit for a minor, where the death penalty does not apply, and where forced confessions cannot be used as evidence.

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### Show Saman your solidarity

Messages\* of solidarity are a source of comfort to Saman and show the authorities that the world is watching. Please send your messages to the Iran team at Amnesty and we will pass them on to Saman.

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\*Please do not send messages with images of alcohol. Thank you.