

To,

The United Nations Security Council, World Leaders and Human Rights Organizations

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I am writing to you on behalf of millions of Afghans in Afghanistan and thousands of Afghans in Diaspora around the world.

With the rapid withdrawal of the United States and the secret and cowardly escape of President Ghani, Afghanistan has fallen in the hands of the Taliban, a radical Muslim militant group that does not have any regard for human rights, gender equality or civic participation of Afghan citizens. Consequently, Afghanistan is in a chaotic situation with genocide committed by the Taliban in Panjshir Valley. Afghan economy is in a nosedive. Women are confined in their homes. Girls are facing uncertainty in the quality of their education and are in fear of radical actions. Women are being arrested for seeking human and legal rights and journalists are being arrested and beaten with their press instruments confiscated for merely reporting facts on the ground. Women who are peacefully protesting are being dispersed by tear gas and beaten by cables on the street just like the 90s when the Taliban were in power.

Astonishingly, the world is watching doing nothing in response to these atrocities and criminal acts. We ask you to help Afghanistan, first, by humanitarian aid. Second through the auspices of the United Nations via two actions: (i) Afghanistan should be declared neutral and non-aligned among nations similar to Switzerland in Europe so that the two hundred years of the Great Game would come to an end, and (ii) Elections should be held so that people can decide for themselves their political destiny. Right now, we are experiencing a dictatorship under the name of Islam, which is not acceptable at all by Afghans. Afghans are in desperate need, and need the support and solidarity with a united front from the world. Thank you for your consideration and attention in this critical and urgent matter.

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