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Subject: Those municipal public prosecutors who are lenient toward corruptors [on earth] will be punished themselves

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### Those Municipal Public Prosecutors Who Are Lenient Toward Corruptors [on Earth] Will Be Punished Themselves.

. . . The Government must be the government of Allaho Akbar [God is greatest]. This is what the people want from us. We are not seeking titles [and positions]. We cannot sit still and not react to those whose purpose is to carry out acts of sabotage through armed [attacks] and explosions by Molotov cocktail, and to those who aid and abet them. . . . If they are arrested, we will not [put them in jail so that they can] eat and sleep and feed off of the public treasury. They will be prosecuted on the streets. Whoever picks up a Molotov cocktail and confronts the Islamic Republic [on the street] will be prosecuted right then and there. When they've been arrested and taken to the Prosecutor's Office, they have been tried, and their sentence is execution. These people are outlaws and they terrorize and frighten the population; they attack the Islamic Republic; they trample upon the memory of thousands of martyrs; they waste the people's treasury. Killing them is not just

permitted, it is a religious imperative. Whoever is involved in armed conflict on the streets, as well as those who hide behind such armed insurgents, strengthen and guide them, and supply them with motorcycles and cars, will be executed upon arrest and without delay, on that same night, upon the testimony of two Revolutionary Guards or other people [witnesses] who testify that they were indeed involved in the armed conflict or had supported those who were involved in the armed conflict against the Islamic Republic. The parents of these hypocrites [reference to members of the Mojahedin Khalq Organization] should not expect us to grant a pardon, because we cannot turn a blind eye [to such events] and forgive when [the Iranian] people are watching. I also direct and order all municipal public prosecutors to adopt this same approach, or they will be punished themselves. We cannot sit idly by while a few youngsters who know nothing about Islam, and are surely guided by



American mercenaries, play with Islam's reputation and [disrespect] the blood of thousands of our martyrs. . . . When America lost all hope of winning the war from the outside and realized that Saddam could not possibly break our Islamic state, it began waging a war from within [Iran] through supporting a movement that was begun by [former President] Banisadr and the [always] ready-to-collude liberals, and was spearheaded by the hypocrites [the Mojahedin]. . . . [He added:] We seek an Islamic Republic; but such a regime is not only about praying and fasting. One of the main directives of the Islamic Republic is that it is a religious imperative to kill whoever stands against it and the just Imam of the Muslims [Ayatollah Khomeini]. A prisoner taken from among these people must be killed, and greater injury must be inflicted upon their wounded to ensure their death. Look up Sheikh [e Toosi's] book "al-Nahayeh [fi mojarad al-fiqh wal fatawi]" written a thousand years ago, Allameh's book "Mo'tabar" of 600 years ago, etc; the orders are the same. [Our] dear clerics and preachers are duty bound to bring this religious jurisprudence issue into the open, [which was] written about by old religious authorities. These verdicts are not new issues raised by us, but old

directives that have remained the same [through time]: Anyone who disobeys the just Imam and stands opposed to the regime will receive a death sentence. It is very important that parents take their children by the hand, [guide them,] and save them from falling into the abyss. If the children refuse to follow, they should disown them; [in the meantime] they should not be angry with [or hold any grudges against] the regime [for the punishment it imposes], nor should they expect clemency. The Imam has said all that needs to be said about showing these people clemency. He has worked to bring them onto the righteous path, and has [even] allowed them time before their arrest. Let them come forward and turn themselves in. Those who are afraid [should know], we have discussed the issues and will guarantee their safety. [These individuals] should direct us to their weapon depots, their people, and their dens of treason so that the mini-group opponents of the regime can be destroyed. If those who have been misled [into opposing the regime] reflect a little and come to their senses, they will leave such organizations that are made up of people with peculiar ideologies. . . .

