

**SPECIAL COMMUNIQUÉ OF THE GROUP OF FRIENDS IN
DEFENSE OF THE CHARTER OF THE UNITED NATIONS IN
SOLIDARITY WITH THE ISLAMIC REPUBLIC OF IRAN FOLLOWING
THE TRAGIC EXPLOSION REGISTERED IN THE SHAHEED
RAJAEI PORT**

1. The Member States of the Group of Friends in Defense of the Charter of the United Nations extends their sincere condolences to the people and government of the Islamic Republic of Iran in the wake of the unfortunate explosion that occurred on 26 April 2025, in Shaheed Rajaei Port, in city of Bandar Abbas, south of Iran, which led to tragic loss of life of dozens, while leaving hundreds injured.
2. The Group of Friends in Defense of the Charter of the United Nations is deeply saddened by the loss of life and the injuries sustained, and conveys its thoughts and prayers with all those who mourn the loss of their loved ones. It also extends its heartfelt wishes for a swift and full recovery for those who were wounded. It stands in solidarity with the people and government of the Islamic Republic of Iran.

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