

Motion for Consideration by the General Assembly

Title: Motion of Repudiation Against the Death Sentence of Social Worker Pakhshan Azizi

Proposed by: Federal Council of Social Work (CFESS – Brazil)

The General Assembly of the International Federation of Social Workers (IFSW),

Noting that the death sentence imposed on social worker Pakhshan Azizi has generated deep concern among the professional community and organizations committed to the defense of human rights at national and international levels;

Recognizing that such a sentence constitutes a grave violation of fundamental human rights and the freedom of professional practice, which are core values underpinning the ethical and political foundations of social work;

Affirming that social workers must be able to carry out their professional duties in alignment with the promotion and protection of human rights and in opposition to all forms of oppression and violence;

Acknowledging that social workers operating in contexts of vulnerability often face heightened risks, and must not be subjected to criminalization for their professional engagement in defending affected populations;

The General Assembly hereby resolves to:

1. **Strongly repudiate** the death sentence imposed on social worker Pakhshan Azizi as a violation of human rights and professional freedoms;
2. **Call for the immediate reversal** of the sentence and for the protection of the rights and safety of Pakhshan Azizi;
3. **Express solidarity** with social workers globally who face risks and reprisals in the course of their professional duties, particularly those working with vulnerable populations;
4. **Urge international bodies, academic institutions, and professional organizations** to actively denounce such violations and to strengthen advocacy for the protection of social workers and the communities they serve;
5. **Reaffirm the commitment** of the IFSW to uphold human rights, social justice, and the ethical principles guiding the social work profession worldwide.